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TRAGIC SEA OUTING

STEAMER CAPSIZES IN GALE.

300 DROWNED
ONLY A HUNDRED
RESCUED.

One of the worst sea disasters in France since the War has occurred in the estuary of the Loire, near Nantes, where yesterday the 189-ton pleasure steamer St. Philibert foundered in a terrific gale, in which it is believed that 492 people lost their lives. The vessel carried 500 excursionists, who were returning from a trip to the island of Noirmontiers, in the Bay of Bourgneuf. The passengers moved to one side of the ship during the storm, and this is thought to have caused the vessel to capsize.

Frightful Death Roll.

St. Nazaire, France,

Yesterday.

A frightful death roll is feared aboard a small excursion steamer, believed to have over 500 people aboard, which is reported to have foundered in a gale off the estuary of the Loire.

Encountered a Gale.

The steamer St. Philibert this morning conveyed 500 members of the Co-operative Union on an excursion to the island of Noirmontiers, and returned thence at 1 p.m. in a gale, which increased in force.

It is believed that the passengers crowded on one side of the vessel to shelter from the wind, causing the vessel to capsize.

The report of the disaster emanated from the lighthouse at Cape St. Gildas, and a tug is rushing to the spot to investigate.

Only Eight Saved.

Later. The disaster is confirmed, have been picked up.—Reuter.

Refused to Re-embark. Little hope is entertained of further survivors of the St. Philibert being rescued. It is known that 300 perished and about 100 were saved. They remained on Noirmontier, refusing to re-embark in the bad weather.

Swiftness of Disaster. St. Nazaire, Yesterday.

The swiftness of the St. Philibert disaster is proved by the fact that a tug rushed to the spot immediately after the lighthouse-keeper had witnessed the sinking and only found one survivor and the bodies of three women. A pilot boat later brought in seven more survivors and another body.

Other searching craft returned empty-handed. Most of the victims emanate from Nantes whence the excursion started at nine o'clock yesterday morning.—Reuter.

[The St. Philibert is a steel-screw vessel of 189 tons and was built in 1923 at Nantes. She is owned by the Nantaise de Navigation and Vapour Company (Service des Messageries de l'Ouest), and is used for pleasure trips down the Loire. The Loire is the longest river in France and is navigable only in a very limited sense. At times a stupendous flood submerges wide reaches of land. It receives the Erdre on the right at Nantes and the navigable Etier de Meun on the right near St. Nazaire. At St. Nazaire it is one mile and a half wide.]

WORLD FLIGHTS.

PROGRESS OF JAPANESE AND GERMAN.

Asahi, To-day. On a world trip the West coast champion, Fukuma, came here by air and hopped off for Seoul at 10.20, and thenceforward he will catch the train.

Fritz Kaufmann, the champion of the Berlin evening paper, of Friedrich Mose, who left Berlin on June 5 on a world trip, took an airplane here for Tokyo at 11.20. He regrettedly missed the President of Japan, which left Yokohama on Saturday, due to the delay of his train in Siberia.

EX-SERGEANT 'JOCK' ROBERTSON DEAD.

Shooting Affray Victim in Yaumati.

POPULAR POLICE OFFICER.

The death notice appearing in the Scottish news papers states:—

John Robertson, died suddenly at Cheltenham on April 27. Beloved husband of Dorothy Morgan and son of the late Charles Robertson and Mrs. Adamson, 85, Lift Road, Loches. Late of the G.P.O. Dundee, and the Hong Kong Police Force.

The notice refers to ex-Sergeant "Jock" Robertson, a popular member of the Force who was the victim of the sensational shooting affray at Yaumati—a brush between Police and robbers on the morning of December 29, 1923,—in which he was badly wounded in the stomach and for many months afterwards his life was in the balance and little hope was held out for his recovery.

On June 4, 1924, he was granted the Fourth Class Police Medal by the then Governor (Sir Reginald Stubbs) for bravery and resource on the occasion of the Yaumati affray with armed robbers. He was finally invalided from the Force on September 17, 1924, with just over five years' service to his credit.

Special Treatment.

Prior to his retirement, "Jock" had sufficiently recovered to be able to undertake the voyage home for special treatment there, leaving Hong Kong on the s.s. City of Cairo on April 18, 1924, and since that time he had practically continuously been receiving treatment at nursing homes in Britain, and it speaks well for his general sound constitution that he had survived his terrible injury for the best part of eight years.

"Jock" served in the Army throughout the war, being twice wounded, and was one of the first batch of ex-Service men to join the Hong Kong Police, arriving here on August 31, 1919, only a few months after being demobilised. He was a fine footballer and used to turn out regularly for the Police up to the time of receiving his injury.

Shooting Affray. The following extracts are taken from the report of the Yaumati Affray published in the China Mail of December 29, 1923:—

"A sensational shooting affray took place in Yaumati about 8 o'clock this morning within a few yards of the Police Station. During a regular fusillade of shots from armed robbers Sergeant Robertson was wounded seriously. Detective Sergeant Fender was wounded in the forearm, Indian Sergeant B267 was seriously wounded in the body, and Chinese Detective B267 Man Wan was wounded in the leg. Two of the armed robbers were wounded fatally and two others slightly.

Police Warned.

Occupants of 206C, Canton Road, made a report shortly before 8 o'clock this morning to the Yaumati Police Station that an armed robbery was taking place in one of the upper floors. Accompanied by eight European and about a dozen other Police officers, Detective Inspector T. Murphy promptly proceeded to the scene, only a few yards away. Inspector Murphy and Sergeant Kelly and Fender went upstairs. Sergeant Fender posted himself at the second floor landing and the other two officers took up stations on the first floor landing. The inmates of the second floor (which was being robbed) afterwards stated that the robbers were disturbed by the sound of Police whistles and at once started to bolt down the stairs.

Waiting Below.

"Sergeant Fender opened fire at them from above and immediately a number of volleys were fired in the narrow staircase. Inspector Murphy and Sergeant Kelly descended to the street, firing at the robbers in the meantime.

"When the first shots were fired, the Police officers in the street had taken up points of vantage. On the house, a street market and behind the Chinese Y.M.C.A. On another side a block of houses in the course of construction. These

EFFORTS TO SALVE POSEIDON.

Slender Hopes of Immediate Success.

TAMAR SERVICE.

Wei-hai-wei, Saturday.

Attempts to salvage H.M.S. Poseidon are being continued. H.M.S. Medway, Cumberland, Hermes and the Royal Naval tug Saint Brock, together with the U.S.S. salvaging ship Pigeon, are standing by, and efforts are being made to blow out the water with high pressure air; but the position, twenty miles outside the harbour, where even a small wind raises a swell, renders diving operations difficult, and liable to frequent interruption. Therefore there seem to be very slender prospects of immediate success.

Assuming that the present methods fail the lifting of the Poseidon must be a long task for the largest and most modern salvage equipment.

The survivors who came up to the surface after the Poseidon settled were all from a forward compartment. They included the Chinese mess boy.

The organisation of the escape required skilled knowledge, and the great presence of mind on the part of the senior rating, who took charge, and great coolness by the individuals concerned.

Chefoo, Saturday.

The Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, arrived in the scene of the Poseidon disaster at 11 a.m. to-day. There is to be a memorial service tomorrow (Sunday) on the Wei-hai-wei Parade Ground.

The Chefoo Daily News has opened a fund for the families of the victims.

Memorial Service on H.M.S.

Tamar.

A memorial service for ratings who lost their lives in H.M.S. Poseidon was held on board H.M.S. Tamar yesterday at 10 a.m.

In addition to the Commodore and a large number of Naval officers and ratings from H.M. ships at Hong Kong, the service was attended by Captain E. A. H. Colman, representing His Excellency the Governor, H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops (Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.), who was attended by Captain Cameron, his A.D.C.; Colonel Saville, and officers and other ranks representative of all the military units at Hong Kong.

The Naval Chaplain, the Rev. H. F. Foley, M.A., conducted the service, which concluded with the playing of the Dead March, sounding of the Last Post, and the National Anthem.

Wei-hai-wei, Yesterday.

Impressive services for the Poseidon victims were conducted ashore and afloat at ten o'clock this morning.

Admiral Kelly, a representative of the Chinese High Commissioner and a party from the Italian cruiser Sebastiano Caboto were among those attending the service ashore, at which 38 officers and 502 ratings were present. The service concluded with the Last Post, sounded by the massed Fleet buglers.

The service afloat was attended by the Medway, the Marazion, the tug St. Brock and all the available submarines in the vicinity of the Poseidon.—Reuter.

MACAO'S GOVERNOR.

Expression of Regret and Condolences.

The following letters have been exchanged between the Governors of Macao and Hong Kong.

Your Excellency.—It pained me very much to learn of the distressful accident resulting in the loss of so many lives when H.M. Submarine Poseidon was lost at Wei-hai-wei.

In my own name, and on behalf of my Government, I wish to express my feelings of regret and condolences with the British families of the deceased men.

I have the honour to be, Your Excellency's most obedient servant.

(Sd.) A. D. M. A. OLIVEIRA.

Governor.

SIR W. P. P. DE LEEUW.

Your Excellency.

Thank you for your letter of the 11th inst., expressing con-

SHAMEEN ON GUARD

SENSATIONAL STORY FROM CANTON.

FALSE ALARM?

'NEW REGULATIONS BY THE POLICE.

The following report appears in the Canton Gazette to-day:—

The municipal authorities in Shameen are taking steps to safeguard the island. Beginning from last week additional armed guards have been assigned to keep watch at both bridges.

Shabbily dressed Chinese who enter the island are subject to rigid search before entrance passage is admitted.

Barbed wires and steel bullet-proof shields are provided to protect the main entrances of the island.

The British and French municipal police stations have jointly issued five regulations in order to safeguard their concessions.

It is learned that the regulations are as follow:—

(1).—All the Chinese employees in Shameen who possess special permits from the British or French police authorities can go in and out of the island at any time without subjecting to searches by the guards at both gates.

(2).—Those Chinese who are not in employment in the concessions cannot stay there for over three days. If anyone who is found to be violating this ordinance will be subject to a fine of \$10 and will be expelled out of the concession.

(3).—Chinese soldiers are strictly forbidden from entering the island. However the Chinese military officers can go in and out freely at will.

(4).—All those who are caught for petty theft or robbery will be banished and will not be allowed to enter the island during their life-time.

(5).—All articles or commercial commodities which are taken out from the concessions must have a seal from the firms to which the articles belong before they are allowed to be taken over the island.

Our Special representative was in Canton during the week-end, and he states that the concession presented a normal appearance. There were no signs of barbed wire or steel bullet-proof shields in evidence up to Sunday, other than the old entanglements which have been exposed ever since the strike of 1925.

dolences with the British Government in regard to the loss of life in the recent accident to H.M.S. Poseidon.

I deeply appreciate your message.

I have the honour to be, Your Excellency's most obedient servant.

(Sd.) W. P. P. DE LEEUW.

Governor.

Hong Kong, June 13, 1931.

RELIEF FUND.

As already reported by us, the local branch of the Navy League has decided to open a Fund for relief of the dependants of the victims of the disaster to H.M.S. Poseidon.

All donations may be sent to any of the newspapers and by them forwarded to the Navy League in due course.

All cheques should be crossed and made out to Navy League (Poseidon Fund).

CONGRATULATED ON CAPTURE.

Mr. Hamilton's Tribute to the Police.

THEFT OF \$966.

"I congratulate you on the capture of work," said Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, when Sub-Inspector Elston charged Kwong Chun-lin, with the theft of \$966 from Chin Yik.

The complainant, a student from Shanghai, arrived in the Colony on the s.s. Tsinan on June 7, and it is alleged that accused, with three other men, jostled him, one extracting his pocket book containing \$966.

Police Raid. On going ashore he reported the matter, and gave a description of the man, whom he stated was the leader of the gang.

As a result a raid was made at a certain address last night and accused was arrested.

The pocket-book was discovered in accused's possession and was found to contain \$218, \$118 of which he admitted he had stolen from complainant.

Notorious Thief.

Accused had four previous convictions for theft, and is said to be a notorious professional harbour thief.

In sentencing the man to six months' hard labour His Worship made an order for the \$218 to be restored to the complainant, and congratulated Mr. Elston on his smart capture.

TIRED OF SUFFERING

HOSPITAL PATIENT HANGS HIMSELF IN WARD.

THREE SUICIDE CASES.

A patient in the Kwong Wah Hospital for the past two months, a man named Ng Fat, aged 60 years, committed suicide at 11.45 o'clock on Saturday night by hanging himself in a ward. The body was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary. Deceased is stated to be a native of Swatow.

A woman, Chan Sap-yeo (23), living at 13, Wing Sing Street, second floor, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from effects of poisoning from lye which she is stated to have swallowed.

Suffering from the effects of poisoning from opium, which she is alleged to have swallowed at 8, Glenelly, second floor, Wai Pui-yeo (28), was taken to the Government Civil Hospital in an unconscious condition.

FIGHT WITH KNIVES

JAPANESE TAKEN TO CIVIL HOSPITAL.

Two Japanese seamen, Satsumi Shigen (35), of the s.s. Kisumu Maru, and Tokichi Mayamati, of the s.s. Moral Maru, are stated to have been engaged in a fight with knives at a house in Kennedy Road in the early hours of this morning.

Both received flesh wounds to the head and body, and were removed to the Government Civil Hospital. Shigen was discharged after treatment, but Mayamati was detained.

OVERCAST.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: A feeble anti-cyclone is central to the East of the Bonins. Depressions are situated over the Lower Yangtze Valley and to the West of Hanoi.

Forecast:—S. winds; moderate; generally overcast; occasional rain.

Rainfall. Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.22 inch. Total since January 1—29.52 inches against an average of 30.96 inches—deficit 1.44 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 9 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	85
Macao	81
Prata Island	81
Manila	79
Poonchow	80
Chefoo	69
Shanghai	70

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY.

Profit Almost Same As Last Year.

HIGHER TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

An increase in traffic receipts during the past year was more than set off by the higher costs of maintenance and repairs said Mr. D. E. Clark, who took the chair at the annual meeting of the Peak Tramways Company, Ltd., held in the Hong Kong Hotel this morning.

The increase was due to the higher cost of wire rope, through the fall in exchange. However, in the result the accounts were very similar to the previous year, profit being \$40,783 as against \$41,404.

It has been decided during the year to do away with the post of Assistant Superintendent, and accordingly Mr. Chubb's services had been dispensed with. Appreciation of his services over four years were put on record.

Chairman's Speech.

In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts the Chairman said:—

The accounts for the year under review are very similar to those of the previous year, the profit being \$40,783.41 as against \$41,404.35, a drop of \$620.94. Traffic receipts you will notice, show an increase of \$1,797.25, but on the other hand wire ropes have cost considerably more, owing to the fall in exchange, and this is responsible for the increase in maintenance and repairs of approximately \$6,000.

Salaries and wages also show an increase. This is accounted for by steamer passages home for the Assistant Superintendent and passage out from home for the Superintendent. In the current year's accounts, we anticipate a considerable saving under the heading.

During the year, it was decided to do away with the post of Assistant Superintendent and Mr. Chubb's services were dispensed with. Mr. Chubb joined the Company at the time of the change over from the old steam haulage to the present electrical haulage plant. This change over necessitated a lot of extra and anxious work for the engineer in charge and it was considered advisable to engage an assistant engineer. We wish to place on record our appreciation of Mr. Chubb's services during the four years he was with the Company.

Dividend Eight Per Cent.

We propose, subject to your approval, to pay the same dividend as last year, eight per cent, and carry forward a slightly increased balance.

The auditors have applied for an increase in their fees from \$250 each to \$350 each. Your directors have agreed to this subject to your approval.

The motion was seconded by Mr. J. A. Tarrant, and passed unanimously.

On the motion of the Chair-

POLAR TRIP SEQUEL

MISHAP TO THE NAUTILUS.

ENGINES FAIL

SUBMARINE LYING IN MID-ATLANTIC.

New York, Yesterday.

The Polar exploration submarine Nautilus, is being disabled in Mid-Atlantic. The steamship Independence Hall is standing by and the United States battleships, Arkansas and Wyoming are steaming to the scene.

Motor Disabled.

Reuter, Yesterday. The Arkansas and Wyoming are standing by the Nautilus, and in wireless messages, report that the latter's "starboard engine and port motor are disabled and her batteries dead."

The warships are waiting until the sea is moderate to tow the submarine to the nearest port, probably Queenstown.

It is understood that the damaged batteries in the Nautilus resulted from a mishap yesterday, when one of the engine cylinders cracked.—Reuter's American Service.

New York, To-day.

The President Roosevelt is standing by the Nautilus. She reports that the latter is proceeding under power of her own undamaged port engine.—Reuter's American Service.

[A message of June 5 stated:—The submarine Nautilus, Sir Hubert Wilkins's Polar submarine, has concluded a satisfactory speed trial. Her commander says she will have a cruising speed of eleven knots. The submarine is eleven "knots" with food sufficient for eighteen months, and fuel oil sufficient for from 4,000 to 5,000 miles.]

man, seconded by Mr. D. Wilson, the retiring directors, the Hon. C. G. Mackie, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Sir Elly Kadoorie, Mr. A. B. Stewart and Mr. M. H. Turner, were re-elected.

The auditors, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Linstead and Davis, were re-elected, at the proposed increased fee, on the motion of Mr. W. Morley, seconded by Mr. J. D. Humphreys.

Those Present.

Supporting the Chairman were Mr. A. B. Stewart (director) and Mr. J. L. Quie, (secretary). Shareholders who attended were Messrs. J. D. Humphreys, W. Morley, J. A. Tarrant and D. Wilson.

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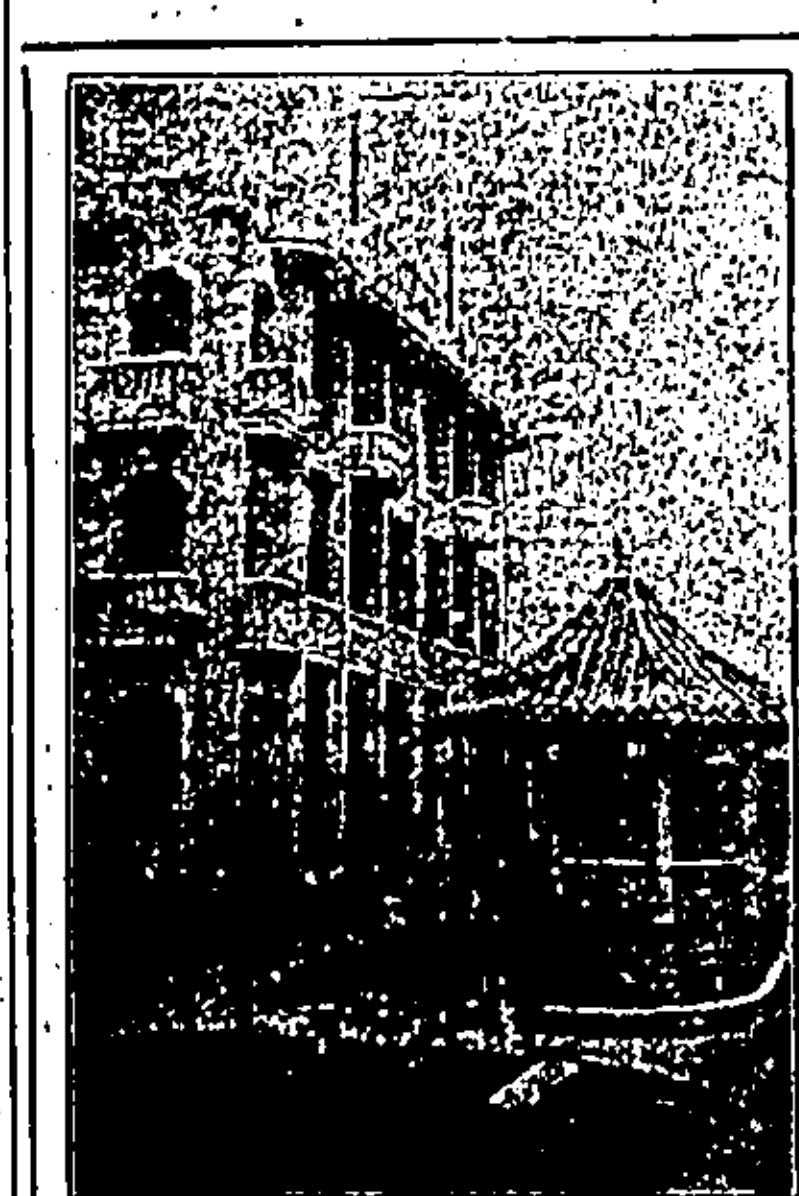
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**CHRISTIANITY IN
BRITAIN.****The Pope's Talk to
Three Mayors.****"A MULTIPLE WELCOME."**

The Mayors of Bath, Colchester, and Dorchester, and the 150 visiting members of the Friends of Italy Society, were recently received in special audience by the Pope.

His Holiness, in a specially prepared address, advanced the theory that it was St. Paul himself and not Pope Gregory who first introduced Christianity into Great Britain.

His Holiness received the visitors, who were presented by Mr. Ogilvie Forbes, British Charge d'Affaires to the Holy See, in the Consistory Hall, and gave them a "multiple welcome" as Britons and women and citizens from the Roman towns of Britain, and as lovers of history and archaeology.

To the Mayor of Bath he offered particular welcome as a fellow bibliophile and educator.

The Pope outlined the various points of contact between Britain and Rome throughout the history of the Popes. He told them that that there was evidence that the Roman Catholic Church had contact with Britain 200 years before the time of Pope Gregory the Great.

In fact, it was not impossible, the Pope continued, that the missionary work of St. Paul himself had extended to Britain's shores. Tertullian reported that the Roman legions found Christians among the inhabitants of the country, and that among the "barbarians" brought as prisoners to Rome, there were those who knew and followed the Christian faith.

This was attested by his Holiness as evidence of St. Paul's personal teaching in Britain.

After referring to further associations of Gregory and other earlier Popes with Britain, his Holiness declared himself much touched with the visit of this group of British people, and concluded by giving them and their families his Apostolic Benediction. He also conveyed his blessing to the Roman towns of Britain.

MARRYING ONE'S WIDOW.**Problem For Roumanian Officials.**

The Roumanian officials are puzzled over the procedure to be adopted when a man marries his own widow.

Alexander Szabo, of Kolosvar (then in Hungary), left his wife for the front in 1914 after two weeks of wedded life and was reported dead in 1916. His wife married again after a year.

Meanwhile, Szabo was not dead at all, but a prisoner in Siberia, where he remained till 1923. On returning he heard that his wife was happily married to a second husband, and decided not to tell her he was still alive. Last year, however, his successor died, and Szabo in whose affection sixteen years had wrought no change, wrote to ask his wife to marry him again. The news that he would be stepfather to three children did not daunt him.

Szabo was, however, troubled when the officials pointed out to him that to marry his own widow was an unusual and probably a highly irregular proceeding. A man officially dead, and recorded as such in the archives of a War Office, could not presume to come alive fourteen years later without proper certificates of existence.

Szabo has had to postpone his re-marriage until the Government is formally satisfied of his non-decease.

PUPILS PUT IN EYES.**Remarkable Operation On
Young Man.**

By a delicate transplanting operation, the first of its kind, pupils have been placed in the eyes of a young man, Earl Musselman, who through the absence of pupils had been blind from birth.

After weeks in a dark room following the operation, the bandages were removed from his eyes, and Musselman, who is now 22, and a student at the Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind, saw the friends who crowded round to congratulate him.

Dr. G. H. More, who performed the operation, stated: "It was the first of its kind I attempted and I felt like a pilgrim going on a long journey."

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**SIAM'S YOUNG BLOOD OLD MASTERS CUT
ABROAD.****A Lively Healthy
Stream.****POLITICS TO LOVE.**

Bangkok, May 27.
The Siamese students being educated and trained in Britain are as lively as any other body of students, run their own magazine, and are not afraid of criticizing policies and officials in their own country. The magazine is published quarterly, has an editorial board of four, two Oxford and two Cambridge men, is obtainable in Siam, France, Germany and the U.S.A., and is looked forward to by parents and relatives, and all old students.

In an article dealing with taxation, etc. in Siam the editor says "some kind of Government control over rice milling must be instituted and legislation introduced making it a serious offence for millers to mix the various grades of rice. Siam must take steps to ensure that her customers are not being defrauded by her merchants."

"Unproductive expenditure should be severely cut down. Siam spends roughly twenty per cent. of her revenue on national defence services. The equivalent figure for Great Britain is thirteen, and in China forty-five per cent. But Siam is not China. Siam can make a substantial reduction in the unproductive expenditure of the national defence services without jeopardising the safety of the country."

"The time is now ripe for the Government to introduce an income tax, and the recent census should make its introduction the more easy, as the Government now knows fairly accurately every man's station in life. The introduction of death or estate duties should also be considered. Opposition by rich princes and noblemen will undoubtedly be strong here, but the interest and welfare of the country as a whole should prevail over those of a minority section."

Not all the contributors write highbrow or deal in politics. An article devoted to "lovers of all races and creeds" discusses the question of why the Siamese in Britain is such a success in matters pertaining to love making. The author enquires whether these qualities of fascination are developed during the stay of students in Britain, or are they the result of long practice in Siam? And if the latter, then how does this tally with the segregation of the sexes practised in Siam until recent years?

At any rate however achieved, the result is one eminently pleasurable, exciting, and—er—educative to British lasses. The difference between a Siamese and a Briton is that one makes love because he likes it, the other as a necessary but uncongenial preliminary to propagating the species. And since, as has aptly been said 'love should be for recreation as well as procreation', who shall say that the Siamese is not in the right?

In athletics young Siam also gains successes. Several members of the Royal family have met with rewards in rowing and rugby for their University, and one young princeling reached the junior finals of quarter mile, 100 yards, long jump and fencing at Eton last March.

Rugby Interests.
Rugby is to start in earnest again next month, and the players have the right to use the playing pitch at the Sports Club until the end of October, which is long enough for most players in this country. In the off season the pitch has been re-laid and returned.

Penang are due to visit Bangkok this year to play in invitation games, and a definite invitation from the Military Club at Saigon to send a team there has been received.

Personal.
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**A Daring London
Art Robbery.****HAUL VALUED AT \$27,000**

One of the greatest art robberies in modern times was carried out in London recently, when old masters and rare antiques were stolen from an office in Stratford Place, Oxford Street, W.

The value of the missing articles is stated to be \$27,000. The property belonged to Mr. Herbert A. Hanse, a member of the firm of Messrs. Taperell and Hanse, architects and surveyors, collector of paintings and antiques.

The stolen paintings include:—"Countess of Chesterfield" by Gainsborough (4 ft. square). "Portrait of a Gentleman" by Gainsborough (2 ft. 6 in. by 2 ft.). "Miss Grant" by Reynolds, and a portrait by Van Dyck.

Other portraits taken were by well-known painters, and of three landscape paintings one was the work of Jan Steen. The canvases were cut from the frames in each case.

The thieves also took a number of rare Persian silk and woollen rugs, a Flemish and a Renaissance tapestry, both dating from the seventeenth century, a number of Chinese and Italian ivory figures of the same period, and twelve boxes containing 600 cigars.

It is thought that the thieves were well acquainted with the layout of the premises, and making their way through the front door, forced open the office.

The paintings were chosen with an expert eye, for ten of the most valuable were cut away.

Because of the bulk of the stolen property it is considered that the thieves must have escaped in a motor-car, which at a signal was stopped outside the premises by a confederate. No sounds were heard during the night, however, by residents.

Steps are being taken to prevent the valuables being smuggled out of the country. In many cases recently thieves have hidden the property for a few weeks while waiting a favourable opportunity to dispose of it.

Finger Prints Search.
The robbery was discovered when the charwoman went to clean Mr. Hanse's office in the morning. She found the empty picture-frames scattered over the room.

The police were immediately informed, and finger-print experts from Scotland Yard made a detailed examination of the premises. Superintendent Cornish, who investigated the theft of valuable pictures from the home of Lord Clarendon last year, took charge of the inquiries.

The figure of \$27,000 given as the value of the stolen property is a provisional one. The stolen objects may be worth considerably more.

Gainsborough, it may be recalled, painted two or three portraits of the Earl and Countess of Chesterfield. One was a half-length painting of the Countess, and a portrait of the Earl was the only one ever signed by the artist.

Other big art robberies in recent years include:—A Reynolds portrait and jewellery, of an estimated total value of \$32,000, stolen from the house of the Earl of Minto, in Charles Street, Mayfair.

A \$3,000 Van Dyck stolen from Pitt House, Hampstead, the home of the Earl of Clarendon.

A \$30,000 Van Dyck stolen between Ostend and London.

Pictures of Rembrandt and Gainsborough, valued at between \$30,000 and \$40,000, stolen from Carlton House, Art Galleries.

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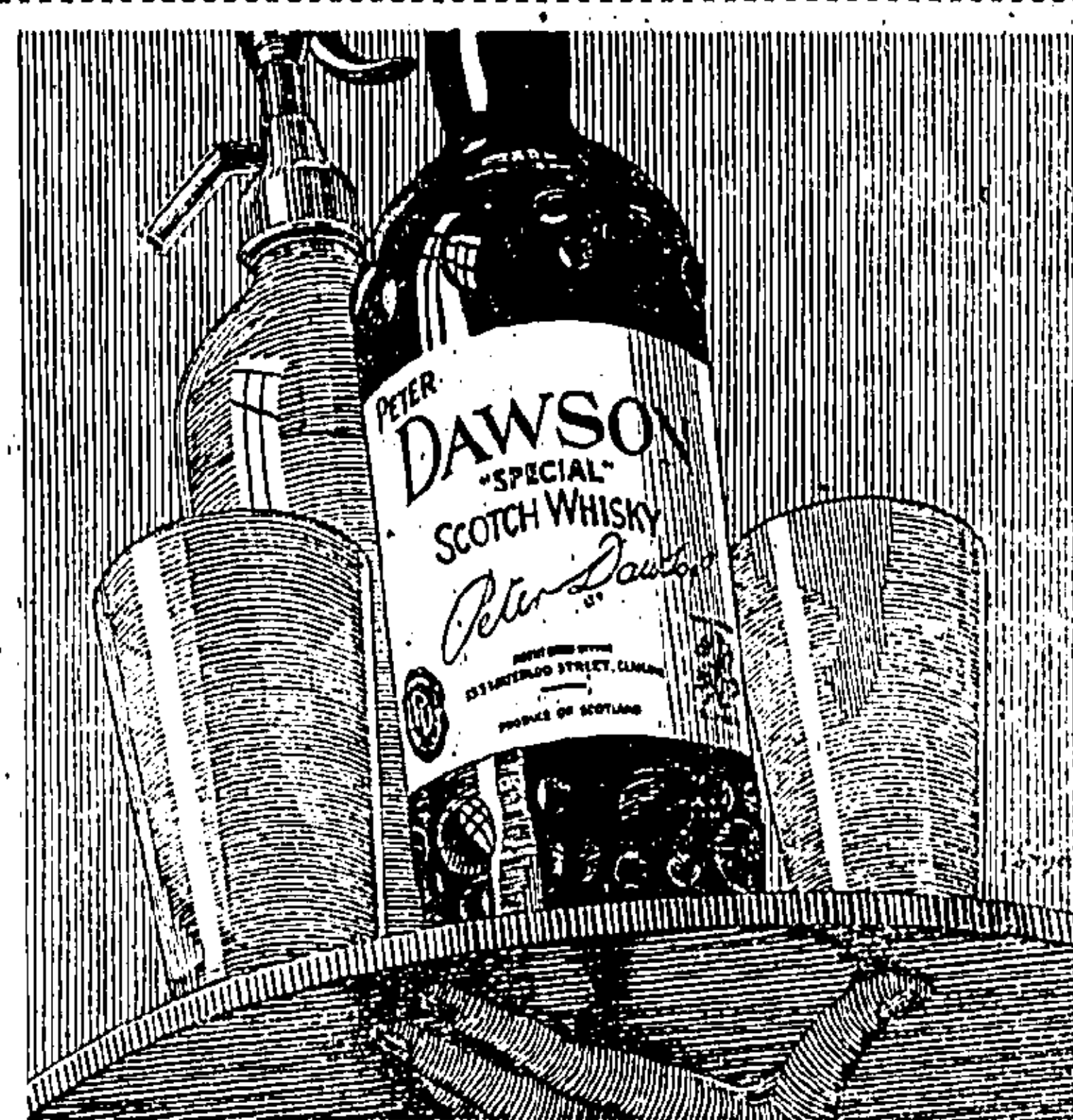
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7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by the Anderson Music Co.

7.02-7.25 p.m.—Operatic.

Orchestral—Cavalleria Rusticana (Macagnini), The British National Opera Company's Orchestra (5127).

Song—Aida—O Patria Mia (Verdi), 11 Traveller—D'Amour Sull' Ali-Rosce (Verdi), Eva Turner, Soprano (L2156).

Cello Solo—The Meistersingers—Prize Song (Wagner arr. Squire), W. H. Squire (L2186).

Vocal Quartet—Rigoletto—Quartette (Fairst Daughter of the Graces) (Verdi), Maria Gentile, Ebe Stignani, Alessandro Grandi, and Carlo Galati (L2310).

7.25-7.52 p.m.—Pianoforte Solo. Sonata in B Flat Minor (Chopin), Leopold Godowsky (LX124-6).

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

7.52-8.20 p.m.—Talkie Tunes and Musical Comedy.

Show of Shows—Selection, Regal Cinema Orchestra (DX15).

Bitter Sweet—I'll See You Again, Bitter Sweet—Kiss Me, Layton & Johnstone (5585).

Lucky Girl—Where Have You Been All My Life, Crazy Rhythm, Ray Starita and His Ambassadors Band (5137).

8.20-9.05 p.m.—Orchestral. The Gypsy Baron—Overture (Strauss), Bruno Walter & the Symphony Orchestra (L2352-3).

Oberon—Overture (Weber), Willem Mengelberg and His Concertgebouw Orchestra (L2312-3).

Slavonic Dance in C Minor (Dvorak), Sir Henry J. Wood conducting the New Queen's Hall Orchestra (L2313).

Summer Day Suite Garden, a. In a Country Garden, b. On the Edge of the Lake, c. At the Dance (Eric Coates), Now Queen's Hall Light Orchestra (9369-70).

Wood Nymphs (Eric Coates), Now Queen's Hall Light Orchestra (9370).

9.05-9.50 p.m.—Variety.

Song—Way Down Upon the Swannee River, I Got Shoes, Edna Thomas, Soprano (9345).

Hawaiian Music—Pia Rosalini, Hilo March, The Honolulu Players (DB899).

Song—The Skipper of the Mary Jane, Harold Williams, Baritone (4386).

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Steel Guitar—Lady of Walkiki, Always Frank Ferrer (8998).

Humorous Song—Is He the Boy Friend, Away Down South in Heaven, Sophie Tucker (6080).

Song—Just Like Derby and Joan, North Blaney & the Ramblers (4862).

9.50-10.28 p.m.—A Concert. Violin Solo—The Zephyr (Hubbly), Valse Bluette (Drigo), Etrenn Zimballist (5314).

Song—A Summer Night (Goring Thomas), My Dearest Heart (Sullivan), Doris Vane, Soprano (DX71).

Piano Solo—Romance in E Flat (Rubinstein), Hark, Hark, the Lark (Schubert), Ignaz Friedman (D1684).

Song—Water Boy (Robinson), Gwine Away (Robinson), Harold Williams, Baritone (4458).

Cello Solo—Abeledel (Schumann), Air (arr. on "Air on 4th String"), W. H. Squire (LX25).

10.30 p.m.—Close Down. Should any additional items become available for broadcasting they will, when possible, be included between 7.30 and 8 p.m. on the broadcast programme.

STANDARD TIMES.**SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN
COLONY.**

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for June, 1931, Standard time of the 120th Meridian East of Greenwich are as follows:—

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KASHIMA MARU	Saturday, 27th June.
YASUKUNI MARU	Saturday, 11th July.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.	Saturday, 27th June.
ATSUTA MARU	Saturday, 27th June.
KAMO MARU	Saturday, 27th June.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	Saturday, 27th June.
HAKODATE MARU	Saturday, 27th June.
TANGO MARU	Saturday, 11th July.
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GINYO MARU	Tuesday, 30th June.
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TATSUNO MARU	Saturday, 4th July.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Suez, Constantinople, Genoa.	Sunday, 19th July.
DURBAN MARU	Sunday, 19th July.
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MOBASA, ZANZIBAR, DAR-ES-SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO, MARQUES, DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN.	Manila Maru	Mon., 6th July
THENCE TO RIO DE JANEIRO & SANTOS via Singapore & Colombo.		
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	Nitte Maru	Thurs., 18th June
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BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan, Deli & Colombo.	Argun Maru	Fri., 19th June
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Hamburg Maru	Thurs., 18th June
HAIPHONG via Hanoi & Pakhoi (Fortnightly).	Hozan Maru	Sun., 21st June
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday).	Deli Maru	Thurs., 18th June
TAKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Fortnightly).		

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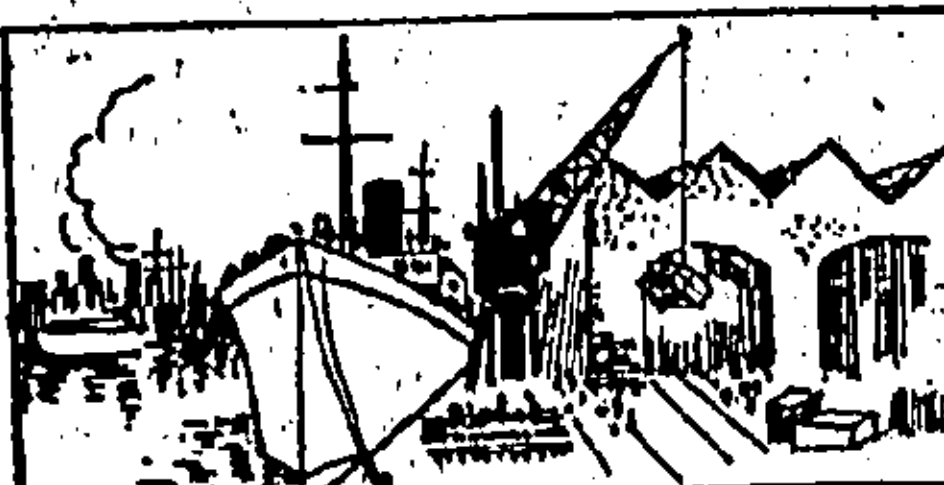
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THURS. 18th	SAT. 20th	MON. 15th	TUES. 16th
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Messages from Liverpool and Southampton state that owing to the reduction in trans-Atlantic passenger traffic the great shipping companies operating these services have decided to make substantial reductions in the number of sailings during the present season.—British Wireless Service.

MARINE INSURANCE

ACCOUNTS OF THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Accounts of the British and Foreign Marine Insurance show that the company which has been a consistent profit earner was again able to indicate a profit for 1929 although the result was not one of the best of recent years. Premiums for 1929 amounted to £560,408, payments last year were £219,708, and after transferring £51,500 to suspense to close the account (the management has usually been on the right side in its estimates of the amounts required), £20,028 is now transferred to profit and loss.

Premiums for 1930 were £454,580 and claims were £126,802, representing a first year's settlement of 27.7 per cent., which compares with a first year's settlement in 1929 of 29.7 per cent. Interest receipts last year were £138,947.

Conservative finance in the past has enabled the dividend to be raised. A final dividend of 27s. 6d. per share, less tax, is now declared, making 55s. for the year; whereas the Ordinary dividend for 1929 was 52s. 6d. A year ago a special dividend was paid out of the balances of the underwriting suspense and re-insurance accounts and of other funds, and was applied to meeting a call of £8 a share. The 67,000 shares of £20 each are now fully paid, making an authorised and issued capital of £1,340,000. The balance of profit and loss account stands at £161,323; the balance of the underwriting account at £232,886; and the underwriting suspense and re-insurance accounts at £442,261. Obviously the position of the company is strong. The shares are held by the Royal Insurance Company.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Friday, June 12.
Ryujin Maru, Japanese str., 901 tons, Capt. Y. Wakiya, from Keelung, Yaumati Anchorage.—M.B.K.

Takaoka Maru, Japanese str., 4,327 tons, Capt. S. Kusano, from Manila, buoy No. A6.—N.Y.K.

Saturday, June 13.
Deli Maru, Japanese str., 1,293 tons, Captain E. Sanada, from Swatow, Stonecutters Anchorage.—O.S.K.

Dorry, Chinese str., 1,083 tons, Capt. J. Bruhn, from Saigon, buoy No. B8.—Chang Tong Ha.

Havenstein, German str., 4,994 tons, Capt. C. Gobber, from Manila, buoy No. A2.—Jensen & Co.

Hirundo, Norwegian str., 1,125 tons, Captain J. A. Pedersen, from Swatow, buoy No. B18.—Thoresen & Co.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Captain P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Lyemmoon, British str., 1,734 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Singapore, buoy No. B16.—Kwong Nam & Co.

Ningpo, British str., 1,228 tons, Capt. J. R. Nisbet, from Canton, buoy No. C3.—B. & S.

President Jefferson, American str., 21,000 tons, Capt. A. O. Luetie, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—A.M.L.

President Monroe, American str., 6,195 tons, Captain A. Ahman, from Los Angeles, Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Lines.

Santo Maru, Japanese str., 1,842 tons, Capt. Y. Yoshikawa, from Newchwang, buoy No. B23.—M.B.K.

Sinkiang, British str., 1,616 tons, Capt. F. Gibbs, from Swatow, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

Sunning, British str., 1,570 tons, Capt. R. Allison, from Canton, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

Sunday, June 14.
Dakar Maru, Japanese str., 4,388 tons, Captain S. Hamaguchi, from Shanghai, buoy No. A7.—N.Y.K.

Gleniffer, British str., 6,021 tons, Capt. Baker, from Shanghai, buoy No. A8.—F. M. & Co.

Halyang, British str., 1,345 tons, Captain Erwin, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.

Kiangsu, British str., 1,655 tons, Captain E. D. Fehale, from Swatow, buoy No. A10.—B. & S.

Kwaihsang, British str., 1,435 tons, Capt. J. Porter, from Canton, buoy No. B1.—J. M. & Co.

Tai Poo Sek, French str., 1,219 tons, Capt. M. Paul, from K. C. Wan, C.M.S.N. Wharf.—W. Hop & Co.

Tilsondair, Dutch str., 5,019 tons, Capt. J. J. Dutt, from Amoy, buoy No. A4.—J.C.I.L.

'EMPRESS' TRAGEDY

BILAS TAKEN TO MENTAL HOSPITAL.

BODIES BROUGHT ASHORE.

Police reports on Saturday morning state that on the instructions of the Port Health Officer, the bodies of two Chinese males, Yau Tang-yai (32), ship's boy, and Chang Kee-yu (39), carpenter, were removed to the Kowloon Mortuary. The men are said to have been stabbed to death by the Filipino, Graciano Bilas, on the Empress of Canada on June 5, whilst the liner was on a trip from Honolulu to Yokohama, en route to Hong Kong.

Bilas, who was taken into custody on arrival of the Empress of Canada on Friday, is now under observation in the Mental Hospital. He is alleged to have run amok on the liner, killing two people and injuring 23 others, as he ran down a crowded alleyway with a knife in each hand.

One of the injured members of the European crew was taken off the liner at Kobe, and conveyed to hospital, where he has been in a very serious condition.

Enquiries at Police Headquarters, elicited the information that it is uncertain when the Filipino will be charged, if any charge is to be preferred against him.

PANTHER FOR SALE.

A Ship That Nearly Caused War.

Memories of a famous international crisis that nearly plunged Europe into war will be stirred by the following message from Berlin. The gunboat Panther, which the ex-Kaiser despatched to Agadir in 1911, at the time of the Moroccan troubles, will be sold to the highest bidder.

It was on July 1 that the little gunboat Panther, of only 1,000 tons, arrived off Agadir, and started a perilous situation which lasted four months before diplomatic tact settled it.

Germany's pre-war dreams of a colonial empire were behind it all. M. Caillaux, who was then the new Prime Minister of France had a plan for the reorganisation of Africa; and secret negotiations had taken place between France and Germany to concede the political administration of French Equatorial Africa. This move, begun under the Briand Ministry, failed under the new regime.

Then Germany announced that the Panther had been sent to Agadir to protect German firms who had appealed for help.

Shaking the Big Stick. Five days later the Panther was replaced by the 3,000-ton cruiser Berlin, on the official excuse that the Panther was urgently in need of dry-docking.

In fact, Germany was shaking a still bigger stick; in an attempt, it was believed, to discover just how firm was the alliance between France, Great Britain, and Russia. The Entente stood firm, and Germany did not dare persist in her claims on the territory in Equatorial Africa.

Caillaux caused yet further complications by going behind the back of the Foreign Minister, de Selves, and making secret and excessively generous offers to Germany. On November 5 a treaty was signed ceding to Germany territory which gave access to the Congo. It was only ratified after stormy debates in the French Chamber.

Soon after de Selves resigned, and Caillaux, unable to complete his Cabinet, had to resign on January 10, 1912. That was the end of the Agadir incident, which at the time looked much more likely to provoke a European war than did the Serajevo assassinations in 1914.

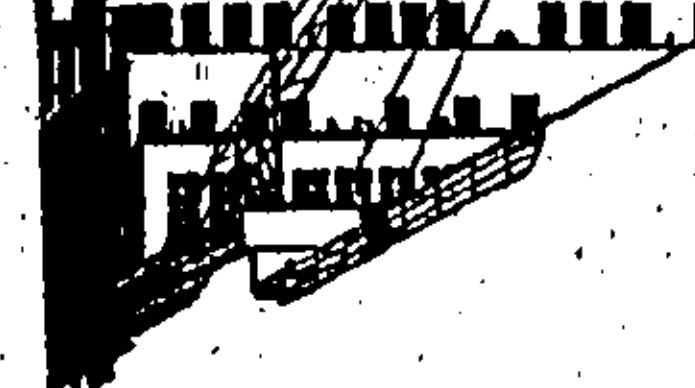
WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—Moorlake—East wall. Odin—In dock. Olympus—Kowloon dock. Otus—In dock. Parthian—Kowloon dock. Seamus—South wall. Sirdar—In dock. Somme—North arm. Starling—North arm. Tamar—Basin. Foreign. Hal Hing—Chinese cruiser. Vigilante—French gunboat.

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Empress of Russia	July 3	July 6	July 9	July 11	—	—
Empress of Japan	July 18	July 21	July 23	July 25	July 31	Aug. 5
Empress of Asia	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 8	—	—
Empress of Canada	Aug. 15	Aug. 18	Aug. 20	Aug. 22	—	—
Empress of Russia	Aug. 28	Aug. 31	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	—	—
Empress of Japan	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 17	Sept. 19	—	—
Empress of Asia	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3	—	—
Empress of Canada	Oct. 10	Oct. 13	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	—	—
Empress of Russia	Oct. 23	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Oct. 31	—	—
Empress of Japan	Nov. 7	Nov. 10	Nov. 12	Nov. 14	—	—
Empress of Asia	Nov. 20	Nov. 23	Nov. 26	Nov. 28	—	—
Empress of Canada	Dec. 5	Dec. 8	Dec. 10	Dec. 12	—	—
Empress of Russia	Dec. 18	Dec. 21	Dec. 24	Dec. 26	—	—

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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 25	June 27
EMPRESS OF JAPAN	July 10	July 12

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POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS.

TUESDAY, JUNE 16.	Kum Sang
Calcutta and Straits	—
Japan	—
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17.	Santha
Saigon	—
Calcutta and Straits	—
Java and Manila	—
Manila	—
Japan	—
Amoy and Swatow	—
THURSDAY, JUNE 18.	Tjipanas
Sandakan	—
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers, London, May 21 and Parcels, May 14)	—
Australia and Manila	—
FRIDAY, JUNE 19.	Kamo Maru
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, May 30)	—
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, May 28)	—
Japan and Shanghai	—
TUESDAY, JUNE 23.	Ginyo Maru
THURSDAY, JUNE 25.	Atsuta Maru
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., June 8)	—
FRIDAY, JUNE 26.	Kashima Maru
SATURDAY, JUNE 27.	Suwa Maru

OUTWARD MAILS.

MONDAY, JUNE 15.	Kong So	4 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Oder	4.30 p.m.
Formosa	—	—
TUESDAY, JUNE 16.	Chenan	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Tjisondari	10.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Ho Sang	—
*Straits and *Calcutta	Parcels	June 16, Noon
	Letters	1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Yang	1 p.m.
Saigon	Dorry	1.30 p.m.
Manila	President Johnson	4.30 p.m.
Foochow via Swatow	Chipshing	5 p.m.
Amoy	Kum Sang	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17.	Kwai Sang	8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Santha	—
*Straits and *Calcutta	Parcels	June 17, Noon
	Letters	1 p.m.
Dairen	Kanan Maru	3 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden and Egypt	Gange	4.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, JUNE 18.	Deli Maru	10.30 a.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Van Heutsz	10.30 a.m.
Straits	Tai Yuan	9.30 p.m.
Amoy	—	—
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island	Change	—
	(Due Thursday Island June 30.)	—
	Parcels	June 18, 5 p.m.
	Registration	June 19, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	June 19, 10.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, JUNE 19.	Kamo Maru	8.30 a.m.
Japan	Hal Ching	1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	—	—
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Ranpura	—
	(Due Marseilles, July 17.)	—
K.P.O.	G.P.O.	—
Parcels	June 19, 4.30 p.m.	—
Registration	June 20, 9 a.m.	—
Letters	June 20, 10 a.m.	—
SUNDAY, JUNE 21.	Mausang	8.30 a.m.

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*MIRZAPUR	6,700	8th July	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
*RAWALPINDI	17,000	18th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*PERIM	7,700	25th July	Marseilles, Havre & London.
*KHYBER	9,000	1st Aug.	M'selles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
*SOMALI	6,800	8th Aug.	Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*RAJPUTANA	17,000	15th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*PADUA	6,000	22nd Aug.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*KARMALA	9,000	29th Aug.	Marseilles & London.
*CATHAY	18,000	12th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SUDAN	6,800	19th Sept.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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*SIBDEHANA	9,000	3rd July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'ham & Osaka.
*KHYBER	9,000	8th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NELLORE	7,000	6th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'ham.
TILAWA	10,000	17th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	17th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	8,000	31st July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KARMALA	9,000	31st July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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PROMINENT PASSENGERS ON PRESIDENT MONROE.

Miss Edith Bashford, who is en route to Canton where she plans to establish her residence. She intends to spend a few weeks in Hong Kong before continuing her journey.

Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Infante, who are spending a few weeks in Hong Kong prior to returning to their home in Manila.

Mr. F. F. Fairman, who is connected with Dodge & Seymour, Ltd., is on a combined business and pleasure tour of the Orient.

He is visiting the various foreign branch offices of the Company, Hong Kong, being one of his stops.

Lieut. L. T. Haugen, U.S.N., who is en route to Manila to assume a post with the Asiatic Fleet.

Mr. and Mrs. Silveria, who are en route to Manila after a short visit with friends in Shanghai.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell De Jong, who are on a tour of the world.

Mr. De Jong is connected with the De Young Manufacturing Co.

Miss Maybelle De Young, who is connected with the Robert Dollar Co. in Shanghai, is on a tour of the world.

Miss Elinor Stillman, who is touring the Orient and the East Indies. She is en route to Singapore from where she intends to tour Burma and Java, later establishing her residence in Java.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Talbot, Miss Mary Talbot and Master Peter Talbot, who are en route to Singapore on a combined business and pleasure trip. Mr. Talbot is connected with the Union Oil Co. of California, and is going to Singapore to visit the branch of that company there.

Rev. R. L. Long, who is en route to Penang after a short stay in Shanghai. He is touring the world, stopping at various ports to better view the Orient.

Colonel B. C. Allen, who is director of the Port of Stockton, California, is on a combined business and pleasure tour of the world.

He is studying the various ports reached by the Dollar Line in an endeavour to improve the port of which he is director.

Comdr. and Mrs. C. J. Bright, who are returning to the United States after several years in the Orient. Comdr. Bright being in the U.S. Navy and serving with the Asiatic Fleet. He has recently been re-assigned and is returning to assume his new post.

Mrs. M. Griffin and Miss Jane Chase who are en route to Genoa from Shanghai. After some time spent in the Orient, they are now to tour Europe.

Miss Edith Greer, who is returning to the United States after three years spent in the Orient. She has been teaching at the Shanghai American School.

Lieut. J. B. Taylor, U.S.N., who is returning to the United States to assume a new post with the U.S. Navy. He has been with the Asiatic Fleet for several years, and has just been re-assigned.

Mrs. A. V. Sneijnsky, who is taking a trip to Paris via Marseilles. She has lived for several years in Shanghai, but now intends to make Paris her home for several months.

Lieut. Trayer, U.S.N., and Mrs. Trayer, who are en route to New York, where Lieut. Trayer is to be re-assigned. He has been in the Orient for several years with the Asiatic Fleet.

PASSENGER LISTS.

ARRIVALS.

Per C.P.R. R.M.S. Empress of Canada on Friday:—

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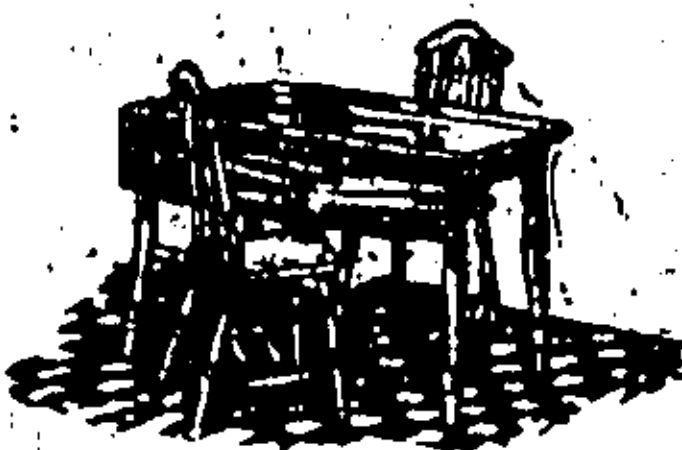
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Hong Kong, Monday, June 15, 1931.

"To Regenerate China."

Mr. Eugene Chen has outlined a plan—an "epic" plan, we are told—for the regeneration of China. The interview is said to have lasted two hours, in which case he must have spoken at the terrific rate of 22 words per minute, probably owing to his having his tongue in his cheek—unless, of course, we have been permitted a perusal of only a fifth of what he did actually say. In any event the published interview with Canton's new Foreign Minister is in a way a reminder of another interview with the leaders of a previous new regime about six years ago—Mr. Sun Fo and Dr. C. C. Wu—who made most elaborate promises of what would be accomplished by them in the short space of three months—a period that was ultimately lengthened to about eighteen months. In the meantime the people of this Colony were kept waiting and waiting for the boycott instituted by Borodin & Co. to be lifted, the while that trade between Hong Kong and Canton was reduced almost to the point of extinction as much to the loss of Canton as Hong Kong. Then—as now in the case of Mr. Eugene Chen—the two leaders strongly disavowed Communist tendencies. All that they stood for, they declared, was the famous three planks of Sun Yat-sen's platform. "Let the public judge" us, three months from now, now that we have a free rein in Canton—then see what we can do. Thus declared Dr. Wu, who is now on his way from Washington to join the newest Canton regime. Mr.

Eugene Chen emphatically asserts that any suggestion that he is in some way connected with Communist circles is utterly false. But, earlier in the interview, he stated that he was not in a position at the moment to say whether the land would be apportioned into "collective farms" in the manner of the Soviet's Five-Year Plan. Certain leaders of the (Canton) Government, including himself, were in favour of it. "It was the peasant who was the real owner of the land," further stated Mr. Chen in a reference to the fact that "China's millions were dependent upon the productivity of the land and the future of China largely lay in the development of her agricultural areas."

We have learned from long—and sometimes bitter—experience that it is not by their words that we know Chinese leaders of any regime during the past decade, but by their works. "Epic" plans are matters concerning the internal policy of China, with which the foreigner need not concern himself, so long as they do not impinge on the doctrine of protection for foreign lives and property which is as essential to foreigners in China as it is to Chinese in Britain.

News in Brief.

One case of typhoid fever (Chinese) was notified over the week-end.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 78 degrees. The humidity was 86° at a.m. and 90° at 4 p.m.

It is notified at the Harbour Office that a quantity of cordite will be burned on a beach on the south side of Stonecutters Island to-morrow morning.

Suffering from injuries to his right leg through a piece of rock accidentally striking him near the Shek Lai-pui Reservoir, a coolie, Chan Ping (61), was yesterday removed to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

Pleading "guilty" to having unlawful possession of a motor car jack and two spanners, a Chinese youth was ordered, to receive, 12 strokes of the cane, in the Kowloon Police Court this morning. The owner of the articles has not yet been traced.

The dinner dance held in the Hotel Cecil on Saturday night was very successful, being attended by a large crowd. Professor A. Barna played his symbol, metallophone, xylophone and glasses to the amusement of all present. His wonderful dexterity in the mastery of the four instruments won many an encore. Miss Halla was again an welcome performer of dances, which were largely applauded. Her acrobatic dance proved herself to be a real artist. The menu was a special one and everybody had a very enjoyable time.

PHONE INSTRUMENTS STOLEN.

Disappearance of a Storekeeper.

\$1,000 BAIL ESTREATED.

After a remand the case against Ng Sau-ching and Tong Wai-kwan was heard in the Kowloon Police Court this morning. Mr. F. H. Loseby appearing for the first accused and Mr. M. A. da Silva for the second.

The two accused who were respectively employed as a storekeeper and a clerk by the Hong Kong Telephone Company, were charged with the theft of 40 telephone instruments from the Company's stores in Cameron Road on May 7. The value of the instruments is \$1,000.

The first accused failed to put in an appearance this morning. Mr. Loseby remarking that he thought the man had left the Colony. His bail of \$1,000 was estreated.

After evidence had been heard the second accused was discharged.

SIR HENRY BIRKIN'S NEW RECORD.

British Motorists Win the Grand Prix.

ALFA ROMEO USED.

Le Mans, Yesterday. Sir Henry Birkin, Earl Howe, driving an Alfa Romeo, won the 24 hours' motor Grand Prix here to-day, establishing a new record of 3,017 kilometres and 655 metres.—Reuter.

[Sir Henry Ralph Stanley Birkin, who was born in 1896, is the only son of the late Sir Thomas Birkin, Bart, and is the third Baronet. Both Earl Howe and he are keen racing motorists and have entered for several International contests, and are members of the British Racing Drivers' Club. Earl Howe is 47 years of age.]

EX-SERGEANT 'JOCK' ROBERTSON DEAD.

(Continued from Page 1.)

provided admirable places for cover from which to watch the robbers emerge from the house.

Robbers Wounded. "Realising that their escape was cut off, the robbers broke through the cordon and were followed by the Police officers. Lance-Sergeant McEwen chased one robber into a shed and after a running pistol duel mortally wounded him; after which he took him to the station. A Chinese detective had cornered another robber in the piles of bricks fronting the new building and this man was also wounded in many places before he collapsed.

Inspector Murphy and Sergeant Kelly caught two other members of the gang, one of whom they slightly wounded. Only one of the robbers escaped.

Police Casualties. "There was a panic in the street and as the robbers broke through they were fired at from various vantage points. The Police who were wounded were hit while they were in the street, either when covering the robbers or when attacking them individually.

"The wounded Police officers and robbers were removed to Hong Kong as speedily as possible, tacking them individually.

Doctor's Report. "On inquiry at the Government Civil Hospital this afternoon, Dr. C. W. McKenny courteously informed the China Mail that Sergeant Robertson is in a very critical condition and will be so for some days. The condition of the other officers was stated to be satisfactory.

"As to the three alleged robbers, Dr. McKenny said that two were in a very serious state while the third will probably recover."

Walter McGrath is again seen as the villain, whilst the supporting cast includes Myrna Loy, Natalie Kingston, James Bradbury, Jr., Lloyd Ingraham, Blanche Friderici and Frank Campeau.

The film's settings are pretty, the scenes depicting the rugged interior of Arizona.

A Fox newsreel, a musical, and a talkie comedy featuring Clark and McCullough, complete the programme of entertainment.

CORRESPONDENCE.**A DISCLAIMER.**

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"] Sir, Mr. Eugene Chen desires me to contradict the statement appearing in a recent issue of the China Mail which, (a) refers to the Canton Daily Sun as "the official organ" of the new National Authority at Canton and (b) ascribes to Mr. Chen the authorship of an article in the Canton Daily Sun of June 5 and of another in the China Truth. Mr. Chen has no connection with either of these publications. Yours, etc.

LAM YAU-KAN, Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Canton, June 15.

ROUND THE CINEMAS**COMEDY OF YOUTH AT THE KING'S.****"PRINCESS AND PLUMBER."**

"The Princess and the Plumber," now showing in the King's Theatre, is precisely what its title says it is—a mild comedy of youth, strongly reminiscent of the rosy-tinted romances of Charles Garvice.

There is a charming and unsophisticated young princess in Daritzia (one of those nebulous Balkan States) and a breezy young gentleman from America who does things to radiators in the castle. What more natural than that they should be mutually attracted? It would be all against talkie tradition if they weren't.

Maureen O'Sullivan has little else to do but be her usual pretty self, and Charles Farrell has the part of the smiling, rather bashful young American. There is not much scope for whatever histrionic talent they may possess, but they play together in very pleasing fashion. Perhaps Miss O'Sullivan might one day be given a part with some action in it. Her delightful presence and her unusual speaking voice have by now been sufficiently exploited.

For the rest, the veteran H. B. Warner gives another sound performance as the Prince, whilst Joseph Cawthorn causes a good deal of amusement as the Daritzian. Poo Bah. The producers have had the good sense not to boost this as a "world-beating" film, although it is better than a good many that have been so dubbed. It is quite worth going to see, nevertheless.

The Fox News Reel gives some interesting shots of the unrest in Spain, together with pictures of H.M.S. Nelson passing through the Panama Canal. A little more on this latter subject would have been appreciated. There is also a "short" film which is about on the level of most "shorts."

"IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE."

Norman Foster, Carole Lombard, Skeets Gallagher and Eugene Pallette form the comedy quartette in Paramount's amusing talkie "It Pays To Advertise" which is having its final run at the Central Theatre to-day at 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 and 9.20 p.m.

The film dispenses entirely with "sob-stuff and the rest of it," and brings over the horizon a ship loaded full of comedy. Rivaling his father in the soap business, the son, (Foster), with the aid of Gallagher and the ingenuity of Miss Lombard, begins a huge advertising campaign, and soon the whole town is covered with attractive posters. Through clever dodges from landlords and money lending agents, the business flourishes and Pallette (the father) is forced to admit defeat!

The programme also includes two screen songs a Paramount newsreel, and a pictorial.

"LAST OF THE DUANES."

Zane Grey's magnificent outdoor romance, "Last of the Duanes" is featured as the attraction at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow. The production, which is all-talking, is based on the book by Grey.

George O'Brien, who passed through Hong Kong on March 8 this year, is the leading player with Lucile Browne, a newcomer to the talking screen opposite him. As Buck Duane, O'Brien is credited with a good piece of acting, and acquits himself well as a good rider. The story tells of how a rancher turns outlaw after killing the culprit who murdered his father in town.

Walter McGrath is again seen as the villain, whilst the supporting cast includes Myrna Loy, Natalie Kingston, James Bradbury, Jr., Lloyd Ingraham, Blanche Friderici and Frank Campeau.

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"LOTTERY BRIDE."

Jeanette MacDonald, who left stage to become the leading light opera-prima donna of motion pictures and who scored such a phenomenal success opposite Maurice Chevalier in "The Love Parade," heads a group of artistes in "Lottery Bride," showing at the Queen's Theatre. The cast includes John Garrick, Joseph Macaulay, dramatic baritone from New York; Robert Chisholm, another personality who was brought direct from New York, where he was singing a leading part in the Arthur Hammerstein success, "Sweet Adeline"; Joe E. Brown, screen and stage comedy star; Zasu Pitts and many others.

It is Hammerstein's first film production.

"BALACLAVA."

The Charge of The Famous Light Brigade enshrined in the fine British film, which is showing at the Central Theatre commencing from to-morrow, will delight every picture goer. It is a masterly production of one of the famous cavalry charges of history, famous not so much for what was accomplished. (Scarlett's Heavy Brigade played a bigger part in the campaign the same day), but for the supreme daring of a brigade of 670 sabres charging a whole army in mistake for a few guns. The Charge in the film is so realistic that the spectacular side of the war, so graphically portrayed in coloured prints a generation since, is lost in the magnificence of the unequal struggle.

The story was written by Boyd Cable (Colonel E. A. Ewart), and the military scenes, made with the assistance of the War Office, were under the personal supervision of Captain Oakes-Jones, a foremost authority on military spectacles.

The troops re-enacting the Charge of the Light Brigade were the 1st King's Dragoon Guards, the 14/20th Hussars, the 1st Field Squadron Royal Engineers, the Royal Engineers Mounted Depot and Royal Horse Artillery. Colin Campbell's Thin Red Line was composed of the 1st Battalion the Southford Highlanders. The "Russian" troops storming the Turkish Redoubt on Canrobet's Hill were Grenadier Guards. The King's Dragoon Guards and the 14/20th Hussars were the "Cossacks" who charge in vain against Colin Campbell's Highlanders. A complete R.A.M.S. unit and an ambulance for horses were on the field each day in the Long Valley, Aldershot, when the picture was made.

"INSPIRATION."

Greta Garbo is rapidly getting a complete education in foreign accents.

In her first talking picture, "Anna Christie," the Swedish star emphasised the accent of her native tongue since O'Neill's heroine was a Swedish girl.

In her second dialogue film, "Romance," La Garbo Italian for the heroine of that story was a famous Italian opera star.

(Now in her third talkie, "Inspiration," Garbo plays a French model who becomes the toast of the Paris artist colony. Consequently she has to speak with somewhat of a French accent.

Robert Montgomery plays opposite the star in "Inspiration" which will be seen on Wednesday at the Queen's Theatre. Others in the cast include Lewis Stone, Marjorie Rambeau, Judith Vosselli, Beryl Mercer and John Miljan.

"NO LIMIT."

Clara Bow is of mixed English, Scottish and French ancestry.

She won a magazine beauty contest in 1922 in New York while she was a junior in high school there.

She made her first film appearance as a result of the beauty contest contract, in "Beyond the Rainbow," a Metro picture, featuring Billie Dove. She afterward decided to give up pictures and returned to school taking a business course for three months.

She had an offer to appear in "Down to the Sea in Ships" as the little stowaway and left school to take it. She then played in more than a score of pictures, including "Black Oxen," "Free to Love," and "The Plastic Age" before she joined Paramount and made such sensations as "Man Traps," "Kid Boots," "It" and "Rough House Rosie."

She made "Wings" in 1925—one of the greatest silent films of all time. She has since appeared in eight talkies—"The Wild Party," "Dangerous Curves," "The Saturday Night Kid," "True to the Navy," "Paramount on Parade," "Love Among the Millionaires," "Her Wedding Night," and "No Limit."

"No Limit" comes to the King's Theatre next.

During blasting operations near the site of the old Shamshulpo Police Station at Kip Shek Mei, Lau Ping (28), a stone breaker, was struck by a large rock and killed instantaneously.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of June 15, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is 2/7½.

All rumours regarding the sale of Hotel Mansions will be put at rest by the announcement to-day that the Union Insurance Society of Canton has purchased the property from the Hong Kong Hotel Co., Ltd., for \$1,800,000. It is understood that the Union Insurance Society made the purchase in order to secure further accommodation owing to the growth of the business.

WOULD-BE SUICIDE SENT TO JAIL.

Banishce Who Broke
Into the House.

HARD LABOUR.

Yeung Fuk, the prisoner who attempted to commit suicide by hanging, in his cell at Mongkok Police Station at midnight on Friday last, appeared in the Kowloon Police Court this morning. He was charged with returning from banishment before the appointed time, and also with breaking and entering No. 962, Canton Road and stealing a brass box, containing 46 cents, two jackets and a pair of trousers. He pleaded "guilty" to both charges and was sent to jail for twelve months with hard labour.

An earlier report stated:—Yeung Fuk, a returned banishce, who was arrested at Mongkok on Friday, attempted to commit suicide in his cell at Mongkok Police Station at about midnight. The man was discovered hanging by the neck from the door of the cell. A strip of torn blanket formed the noose. He was released and sent to the Kowloon Hospital.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

INSPECTION OF RIFLES.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, are as under:—

General.

Revolver Practice.—The regular weekly revolver practice will take place at the Bowen Road Revolver Range on Wednesday at 5 p.m. It will be open to members of the Chinese Company. All members of the Chinese Company who have not passed Part III this year are requested to attend without fail.

Training Course—Part II. The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central, will be held as usual tomorrow at 5.30 p.m. All members of the Chinese Company who have not passed Part II of Training Course should attend.

Indian Company. Training Course—Part I.—The following members have been passed out as efficient in Part I of Training Course (Squad Drill and Rifle Exercises):—

Consables R260 Juma Ali, R261 Abdul Rahman, and R263 Razick Salim.

Flying Squad. Strength.—Constable R353 C. E. Coelho has been taken on the strength of the Flying Squad, and posted to the Hong Kong Section as from June 13.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place tomorrow. Fall in at Tsim-tsu-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki uniform and cap with khaki cover.

Sharpshooters Company. Revolver Practice.—Revolver practice will be carried out on the Kennedy Road Range on Wednesday at 5.15 p.m. Members will assemble on the range at that hour with their belts, holsters and revolvers. Uniform optional.

Inspection of Rifles.—All rifles in the possession of members of the Company are to be turned in to the Police Armourer for inspection as soon as possible.

(Sgd.) D. L. KING, D.S.P. (R.).

SERIOUS CHARGE.

ALLEGED ALTERATION OF COAL.

DIRECTOR IMPLICATED.

The case in which Yau Chuen, Managing Director, and Ka Wing, Secretary of the Lee Hing Transportation Co., Ltd., are charged with the alleged alteration of the name of a particular kind of coal submitted in a tender to the Railway Authorities, was again mentioned before Mr. W. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning.

Chief Detective-Inspector Reynolds appeared for the Police, whilst accused were represented by Mr. F. C. E. Rendall. It was intimated that Mr. F. C. E. Rendall has been instructed to defend when the case is brought up for hearing on June 23.

UNARMED ROBBERY

INTRUDERS GAIN ENTRANCE THROUGH ROOF.

WIDOW GAGGED.

What is described as an unarmed robbery occurred in a hut in Kip Shek Mei Village, Sheung Shui Wai, at about one o'clock yesterday.

According to a report made by Pang Sze, an aged widow, it appears that she and her adopted daughter were asleep when two men entered, having gained admittance through the roof. One of the intruders put a towel over the widow's mouth and threatened to kill her, whilst the accomplice rifled a safe and stole \$120.

The robbers escaped by the way that they entered.

NANKING ANGRY.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST REDS PENDING.

CONFERENCE DECISION.

Nanking, Saturday. There were no startling developments at the Central Executive Council's plenary session which opened this morning according to schedule.

Yu Yu-jen, the chairman, emphasised the necessity of suppressing Communists and bandits, and of enforcing the decisions of the People's Convention. The session is rushing through the agenda so as to enable Chiang Kai-shek to leave as soon as possible to direct the anti-Communist campaign. The Generalissimo will probably leave Nanking on Wednesday, but his destination has not been divulged.

—Reuter.

Nanking, Yesterday. The plenary session of the Central nominated members for the National Government Council, including Li Chai-sum and Hu Han-min, and excluding Sun Fo.

It was decided that the fourth Kuomintang Party Conference be convened on October 10; also that Li Chai-sum be restored to membership of the Kuomintang.

The session further decided that the attitude adopted by the Standing Committee of the C.E.C. with regard to Canton, was a proper one, and the matter was referred for investigation and action to the Central Control Committee.

The Legislative Yuan was instructed to draft a scheme for reorganisation of the National Government.—Reuter.

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COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre;

"The Princess and the Plumber";

To-day—Queen's Theatre;

"The Lottery Bride";

To-day—Central Theatre;

"It Pays to Advertise";

To-day—Majestic Theatre;

"Morocco";

To-day—World Theatre;

"Hell's Angels";

To-day—Star Theatre;

"The Last of the Duanees";

Meetings.

Wednesday—Lane, Crawford, Ltd., Exchange Building, noon.

Wednesday—Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardines, noon.

Lammerts' Auctions.

Wednesday and Thursday—Metropole Hotel furniture, 22, Ice House Street, 10.30 a.m.

June 23—24—Messrs. Sennet Freres' Surplus stocks, York Building, 10.30 a.m.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 9.

FIRE INQUIRY.

The China Mail learns to-day that Mr. W. Schofield, First Police Magistrate, in his capacity as Coroner, will hold on Thursday at 2.15 p.m. an inquiry into the circumstances attending the loss of 15 lives in the disastrous fire which gutted the first and second floors of 85, Staunton Street on the night of Tuesday, June 9.

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2, 6, 8, & 10	Pakhoi Street Argyle Street	10 cts.	5 cts.
6, 8 & 10	Pakhoi Street Waterloo Road	15 cts.	10 cts.
8	Pakhoi Street Fr. Edward Rd.	15 cts.	10 cts.
6 & 10	Pakhoi Street Kowloon Tong	15 cts.	10 cts.
6 & 10	Pakhoi Street Kowloon City	15 cts.	10 cts.
10	Pakhoi Street Ngau Chi Wan	20 cts.	10 cts.
2	Pakhoi Street Yen Chow Street	15 cts.	10 cts.
2	Pakhoi Street Wong Yuk Village	15 cts.	10 cts.
2	Pakhoi Street Lanchikok	20 cts.	10 cts.
6, 8 & 10	Argyle Street Waterloo Road	10 cts.	5 cts.
8	Argyle Street Fr. Edward Rd.	10 cts.	5 cts.
6 & 10	Argyle Street Kowloon Tong	15 cts.	10 cts.
6 & 10	Argyle Street Kowloon City	15 cts.	10 cts.
10	Argyle Street Ngau Chi Wan	15 cts.	10 cts.
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2	Argyle Street Wong Yuk Village	15 cts.	10 cts.
2	Argyle Street Lanchikok	15 cts.	10 cts.
8	Jen. W'loo Rd. Kowloon Tong	10 cts.	5 cts.
8	Pr. Edward Rd. Kowloon City	10 cts.	5 cts.
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DOMESTIC FEUD.

TWO WOMEN CHARGED WITH FIGHTING.

A charge of fighting was brought against two Chinese women before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning. Both admitted the charge.

he really thought that the first accused started the feud. She accused the second woman of having taken her husband away. The second woman's husband told the Police that the first woman was always picking quarrels with his wife. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$5 on the first woman, and bound both over to keep the peace for one year.

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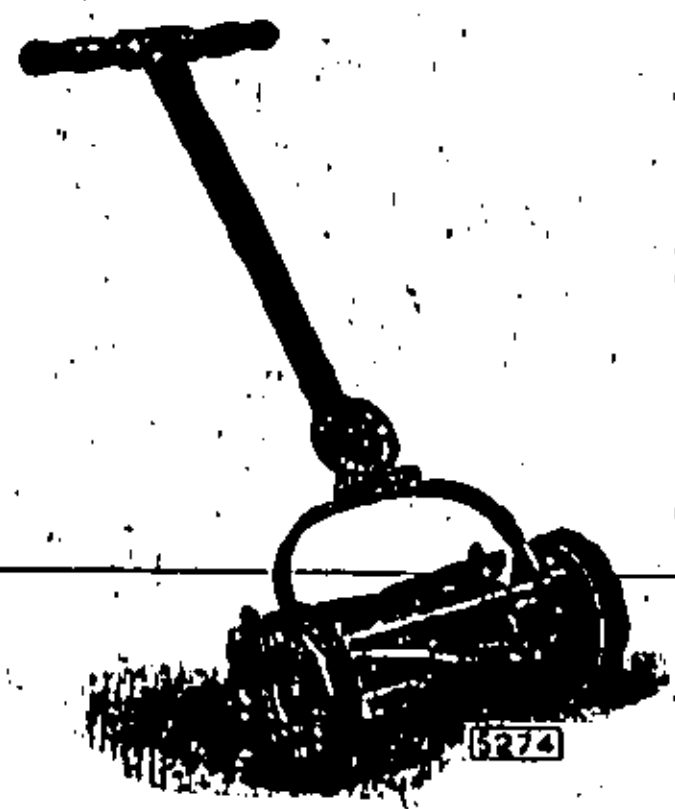
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(Skip) 34	(Skip)
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LAWN BOWLS.

(Continued from Page 8.)

G. McLeod	F. Jones
S. C. P. Amery	H. Westlake
J. Russell	J. Deakin
R. Wallace	J. Hollidge
(Skip) 16	(Skip) 17
T. Stainton	S. Randle
J. Polson	S. E. Alderman
J. Laing	A. H. Oswick
N. Drummond	J. Gregory
(Skip) 26	(Skip) 12
76	43

League II.

R.H.K.Y.C. v. TAIKOO.

At North Point, the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club tied with the Tai Koo R.C.

Yacht Club	Talkoo R.C.
J. W. Bonnar	W. Brown
N. Currie	T. Swan
A. T. Hamilton	W. Bell
W. Macfarlane	R. K. Duncan
(Skip) 20	(Skip) 19
A. Murdoch	S. Hope
J. Bentley	J. Whyte
F. Sutton	D. Spiers
A. Stevenson	T. Grimes
(Skip) 19	(Skip) 18
E. B. Reed	J. Mitchell
A. N. Hodges	W. Cunningham
N. V. A. Croucher	R. Keown
P. W. Ramsay	D. Munro
(Skip) 16	(Skip) 18
55	55

KOWLOON C.C. v. C.C.C.

On their own ground, the Kowloon C.C. defeated the Craignower C.C. by 30 shots.

Kowloon C.C.	Craignower.
O. B. Raven	D. K. Haras
V. C. Labrum	F. K. Modi
A. C. Burford	W. V. Field
J. P. Robinson	W. Gill
(Skip) 12	(Skip) 15
J. S. Dinneen	Summons
C. G. Harrison	R. Hooper
L. Jack	H. V. Pearce
F. G. Herridge	M. O'Brien
(Skip) 29	(Skip) 13
H. Gittins	F. Finner
W. Hyde	W. Ward
L. J. Blackburn	Spink
P. T. Farrell	A. L. de Souza
(Skip) 30	(Skip) 13
71	41

C.S.C.C. v. RECREIO.

At Happy Valley, the Civil Service C.C. lost to the Club de Recreio by two shots.

Civil Service.	Recreio.
P. Knight	L. F. Xavier
R. R. Wood	J. M. S. Rosario
R. R. Davies	E. M. Remedios
W. E. Hollands	F. X. Silva
(Skip) 21	(Skip) 20
H. Lockhart	F. A. Xavier
N. T. Babbington	J. M. Alves
H. E. Strange	J. J. Basto
F. H. W. Haynes	F. V. Ribeiro
(Skip) 16	(Skip) 18
A. Tarbuck	F. Prata
J. Willmott	A. E. Alves
L. Luck	A. V. Barros
W. Bickford	J. G. Ozerio
(Skip) 20	(Skip) 21
57	59

ELECTRIC v. K.B.G.C.

On their own ground, the Electric R.C. lost to the Kowloon B.G.C. by 26 shots.

Electric R.C.	Bowling Green.
J. Sloan	F. V. Whitta
F. Norrington	J. G. Meyer
A. F. Paul	F. L. Rapley
W. H. B. Muskett	F. Petherick
(Skip) 11	(Skip) 30
J. R. Way	H. F. Stoneham
G. Thomson	J. S. Logan
G. T. Padgett	W. E. Hale
A. Webster	A. W. E. Davidson
(Skip) 11	(Skip) 25
B. C. Butler	G. E. F. Thompson
C. E. Gahagan	C. S. Best
D. S. Hill	H. H. Rose
J. F. Lunny	W. S. Drake
(Skip) 20	(Skip) 18
42	68

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

FENCING—To-day—H.K. Fencing Club Meet at 5.15 p.m.
WATER POLO—To-day—Division I—Kowloon v. Chinese Athletic, 6 p.m.; Division II—31st Heavy Battery R.A. v. Argylis, 6.30 p.m.
Wednesday—Division I—V.R.C. v. Kowloon, 6 p.m.; Division II—V.R.C. "A" v. Borderers, 6.30 p.m.
LAWN TENNIS—Wednesday—
"B" Division—
Recreio v. H.K.C.C.
A.T.C. v. Nippon Club.
University v. K.C.C.
M.B.K. v. U.S.R.C.
I.R.C. v. S.C.A.A.
C.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.
"C" Division—
Y.M.C.A. v. University.
K.I.T.C. v. Deutscher Club.
S.C.A.A. v. G.R.C.
Recreio v. H.K.C.C.
C.S.C.C. v. K.C.C.
R.S.C. v. I.R.C.
Saturday—"A" Division—
M.B.K. v. H.K.C.C.
I.R.C. v. S.C.A.A.
K.C.C. v. G.R.C.
"B" Division—
Recreio v. Nippon Club.
H.K.C.C. v. I.R.C.
C.C.C. v. S.C.A.A.
C.C.C. v. A.T.C.
"C" Division—
Y.M.C.A. v. Deutscher Club.
University v. C.C.C.
G.R.C. v. A.T.C.
Recreio v. C.S.C.C.
S.C.A.A. v. H.K.C.C.
R.S.C. v. K.I.T.C.
RACING—Wednesday—H.K. Jockey Club extraordinary meeting of voting members, 5 p.m.

HOME.

CRICKET—To-day and To-morrow—
Middlesex v. Nottingham.
Sussex v. Surrey.
Kent v. Lancashire.
Somerset v. Essex.
Yorkshire v. Leicestershire.
Northants v. Hampshire.
Worcester v. Gloucester.
Warwick v. Gloucester.
Cambridge U. v. Free Foresters.
Derbyshire v. New Zealanders.
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday—
M.C.C. v. Kent.
Sussex v. Nottingham (Friendly).
Lancashire v. Glamorgan.
Northants v. Middlesex.
Yorkshire v. Hampshire.
Warwickshire v. Surrey.
Derbyshire v. Essex.
Leicestershire v. Worcester.
Minor Counties v. New Zealand.
Saturday, Monday and Tuesday—
Middlesex v. Yorkshire.
Essex v. Surrey.
Sussex v. Cambridge U.
Lancashire v. Gloucester.
Worcester v. Somerset.
Glamorgan v. Warwick.
Northants v. New Zealand.
Nottingham v. Kent.
Derby v. Hampshire.
LAWN TENNIS—To-day to Saturday—Queen's Club Open Championships.
Friday—Fourth round of Davis Cup to be completed.
RACING—To-morrow—Ascot Stakes.
Wednesday—Royal Hunt Cup.
Thursday—Ascot Gold Cup.
Sunday—Grand Steeplechase de Paris.

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.	Shots
C.C.C.	P. W. D. L. For Agst. Pts.
K.C.C.	5 5 0 0 319 233 10
Talkoo	5 5 0 0 316 252 10
Recreio	5 3 0 0 213 254 6
C.S.C.C.	5 2 0 0 320 317 4
K.B.G.C.	5 2 0 0 373 294 4
K. Dock	5 0 0 0 525 816 0
Police	5 0 0 0 524 321 0
Division II.	Shots
K.B.G.C.	P. W. D. L. For Agst. Pts.
K.C.C.	5 4 1 0 323 256 9
K.B.G.C.	5 4 0 0 123 300 8
Talkoo	5 2 1 0 333 277 5
C.S.C.C.	5 2 0 0 326 287 4
Yacht C.	5 1 2 0 279 230 4
C.C.C.	5 1 0 0 421 331 2
Electric	5 0 0 0 520 353 0

SHOTS FOR AND AGAINST.

Division I.	For Agst.	Up Down
C.C.C.	316 233	83 0
Kowloon C.C.	316 252	64 0
Talkoo R.C.	313 284	29 0
Recreio	208 258	10 0
K.B.G.C.	273 294	0 21
Civil Service C.C.	238 317	0 31
Kowloon Dock	255 316	0 61
Police R.C.	243 321	0 78
Division II.	For Agst.	Up Down
Kowloon C.C.	320 256	73 0
K.B.G.C.	328 256	72 0
Talkoo R.C.	333 277	56 0
Recreio	316 300	16 0
Civil Service C.C.	288 297	0 1
Yacht Club	279 230	0 70
C.C.C.	251 331	0 79
Electric R.C.	208 353	0 145

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—		
Bank, wire	11½	
Bank, on demand	11½	
Bank, 4 months' sight	11 5/16	
Credits, 4 months' sight	11 15/16	
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/- 1/16	
On Paris—		
On demand	582½	
Credits, 4 months' sight	622½	
On Berlin—		
On demand	Nom.	
On New York—		
On demand	22 13/16	
Credits, 60 days' sight	23 15/16	
On Bombay—		
Wire	63¼	
On demand	63¼	
On Calcutta—		
Wire	63¼	
On demand	63¼	
On Singapore—		
On demand	40½	
On Manila—		
On demand	45%	
On Shanghai—		
On demand	77½	
Dollar	7½% dis.	
On Yokohama—		
On demand	46%	
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)		11½
Silver (per oz.)	12½	
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	3% prem.	
Copper Cash	Nom.	
Copper Cents	3% prem.	
Rate of Native Interest	8½% p.a.	
Chinese Sub. Coin	24½% dis.	
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.		

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ESTATE OF EX-CUSTOMS OFFICER.

Mr. Frederick William Carey, a retired officer of the Chinese Maritime Customs, who died at 64, Denis Apartments, Bubbling Wells Road, Shanghai, on January 6, 1931, aged 56 years, left estate in Hong Kong valued at \$10,900. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Gladys Carey, who is living at the Astor House Hotel, Shanghai. Letters of administration of the local estate, with will attached, have been granted by the Supreme Court to Mr. D. J. Gilmore, of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, lawful attorney. The testator, who made family bequests in his will, appointed Mr. Archibald Rose, of Shanghai, as executor, with the proviso that should the latter be unable or unwilling to act the estate should be administered by the Chartered Bank.

Death in Annam.

Probate of the will of Chan Yiu, alias Tsan Yiu, merchant of Annam, who left estate in the Colony valued at \$62,100, has been granted to his brothers, Chan Chi, alias Tsan Tchi, and Chan Mo-sun, alias Tsan Mo-sang, merchants, both residing in Hong Kong. The deceased, who was formerly of 152, Wing Lok Street, Hong Kong, died at 48, rue des Cantonnaires, Hanoi, Annam, on June 27, 1930, aged 30 years. He was a native of Canton and has a widow, Lu Chi, surviving him, besides his brothers.

In his will, dated October 12, 1923, the deceased bequeathed all his real estate whatsoever and wheresoever situate to his two younger brothers for their own benefit absolutely, and appointed them executors.

Li Chan Shi, nee Chan Yun-mui, second concubine of Li Yuen-wa, who predeceased her, died at 71, Caine Road, on December 23, 1930, aged 61 years, leaving estate in the Colony valued at \$10,500.

Probate of her will, which makes family bequests, has been granted to the two named executors, Li Tang Shi, of 98, Nam On Street, and Li Ho Shi, of 7, Old Bailey, other surviving concubines of Li Yuen-wa.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 15th June, 1931.
Next Settlement Day, Tuesday, June 23rd.

STOCK	Buy-ers	Sell-ers	Sales	Non.	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	1985	3005	...	...	Dec.	(Final 25 bonus 21 for 1930) Mar. 31
Chartered Bank	...	...	151	100	Dec.	(Final 72 bonus 63 subject to 1/7th making 2/3 for 1930) Mar. 31
Mercantile Bk., A.B. C.	...	...	201	101	Dec.	(Final 24 bonus 10 for 1930) Apr. 31
Bank of Asia	...	...	155	...	Dec.	80 for 1930 Feb. 28, 31
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	...	...	2400	Dec.	(Final 10 bonus 10 for 1930) May 10, 31	
Union Ins.	...	600/600	...	Dec.	(Final 10 bonus 10 for 1930) May 20, 31	
*China Underwriters	5.50	...	6.55/30	Dec.	None	
China Fire Ins.	...	...	...	Dec.	(Final 30 bonus 24 for 1930) May 20, 31	
H. K. Fire Ins.	1805	...	...	Dec.	(Final 10 bonus 10 for 1930) Mar. 26, 31	
Shipping.						
Douglases	...	...	34	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931	
H. K. Steamships	25	25	...	Dec.	81-50 for 1930 None for 1930	Mar. 4, 31
Indo-China (Pref.)	...	...	40	Dec.	(Final 24 bonus 24 for 1930) June 15, 31	
(Def.)	30	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931	
Shell Transports	...	...	47/6	Dec.	(Final 10 bonus 10 for 1930) Pending	
Union Waterways	281	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930 Mar. 31, 31	
Mining.						
Benguet	91	...	...	Dec.	Interim 25 centavos for 1931 Mar. 31, 31	
Kailan Mining Ad.	...	...	23/9	June	(Final 4% free 1/10th for 1930) Dec. 30, 30	
Langkats (Sing)	...	...	4/95	Oct.	T. 0.50 for year 31-1930 May 8, 30	
Shai Exploration	...	...	2	Dec.	None	
*Loans	...	...	41	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930 Feb. 6, 31	
*Raua	881	...	...	Mar.	(Final T. 0.25 for 1930) Mar. 16, 31	
Venezuela Gold Fields	3	...	...	...	...	
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & W. Wharves	107	...	...	Dec.	80 for 1930 Mar. 19, 31	
H. K. & W. Docks	...	...	32	Dec.	Last dividend for 1930	
South Ch. Movers	...	...	10	...	...	
*China Provident (old)	5.55	5.60	5.60	Dec.	(10 cents on old) for 1930 April 8, 31	
(new)	...	...	2.70	...	...	
Hongkew	...	...	285	Dec.	Fin. T. 11 mark T. 11 for 1930 May 4, 31	
N. Engineering	...	...	1	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930 Mar. 4, 31	
Shanghai Docks	120	...	...	Apr.	T. 7 for year 24-30 July 30, 30	
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
*H. K. & S. Hotels	171	...	171	Dec.	50 cents for 1930 Apr. 16, 31	
(R.R.)	15.10	...	...	...	...	
(R.R.)	5.40	...	...	...	...	
H.K. Lands	...	...	921	Dec.	(Final 25 making 25 for 1930) Feb. 10, 31	
Shanghai Lands	...	...	41	...	...	
Humphreys (old)	21	...	...	Dec.	(Final T. 11 for 1930) Mar. 10, 31	
(new)	...	...	...	Dec.	50 cents for 1930 Feb. 26, 31	
H. K. Realities	141	...	...	Dec.	(Final 25 cents for 1930) Apr. 15, 31	
Chinese Estates	...	...	60	Feb.	80 for year 28-30 July 31, 30	
Cotton Mills.						
*Ewo Cotton	18.00	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.75 for 1930 Mar. 19, 31	
Shanghai Cotton	98	...	...	Apr. and Oct.	T. 25 for half year 24-31 May 27, 31	
Zoong Sing	...	...	101	June	T. 0.80 for year 24-30 Oct. 11, 30	
Public Utilities.						
*H. K. Tramways	...	...	211	Dec.	(Final 40 cents for 1930) Feb. 27, 31	
Peak Tram (old)	...	...	141	Apr.	(Final 20 cents for 1930) Pending	
(new)	...	...	...	...	...	
Star Faries	...	...	961	Dec.	80 for 1930 Feb. 18, 31	
*China Light	...	...	261	Sept.	Final 50 etc. for 1930 Dec. 15, 30	
H. K. Electric	311	...	...	Dec.	80 for 1930 Mar. 18, 31	
Macao	...	...	33	Dec.	None	
*Sandikan Lights	...	...	19	June	...	
H.K. Tels. fully paid	...	...	521	Dec.	(Final 4% making 10% for 1930) Mar. 11, 31	
China Buses	...	...	18.00	Dec.	T. 0.00 for 1930 Feb. 26, 30	
*S'pore Traction (Ord.)	...	...	3/9	Sept.	(142 on preference shares) Feb. 6, 31	
(Pref.)	...	...	191	...	Subject to income tax	
Yamaguchi Ferries	26	...	...	...	...	
Industrials.						
China Sugars	...	...	2.70	...	In Liquidation.	
Malacca Sugars	...	...	39	Dec.	Pr. 4.40 for 1930 Mar. 4, 31	
Cold; Mang. Ord.	...	...	14	Dec.	(T. 1 for 1930) Mar. 27, 31	
(Pref.)	...	...	101	...	...	
Canton Ice	...	...	5.10	July	None	
*Cements (com.)	...	...	20.30	...	(30 cents on old) for 1930 Mar. 16, 31	
(old)	...	...	14	Dec.	(10 centavos new) for 1930	
(new)	5.40	...	...	...	...	
H. K. Rope	32.10	...	29.55	Dec.	75 cents for 1930 Mar. 27, 31	
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farms	311	...	...	Dec.	81.50 for 1930 Mar. 16, 31	
Watsons	14.90	...	14.80/15	Oct.	75 cents for year 31-1930 Mar. 16, 31	
Der A Wings	...	...	...	Feb.	Last dividend for year 28-30	
Lane Crawford	71	...	1	Feb.	82 for year 29-31 Apr. 30, 31	
Mackintosh	...	...	18	Feb.	...	
Sincere	...	...	141	Feb.	30 cents for year 29-31 Pending	
Wm. Powell	...	...	4.40	...	...	
Miscellaneous.						
H.K. Amusement (old)	...	...	261	Mar.	82.50 for year 31-30 Sept. 17, 30	
(new)	...	...	...	...	...	
Ch. Entertainment	...	...	171	...	...	
H. K. Construction	51	...	...	Dec.	30 cents for 1930 Apr. 29, 31	
P. Ind. O. Bonds	78%	...	...	...	...	
H. K. Govt. Loans	6%	...	...	...	Interest half yearly	
*Speculative shares. *Sales to Shanghai.						

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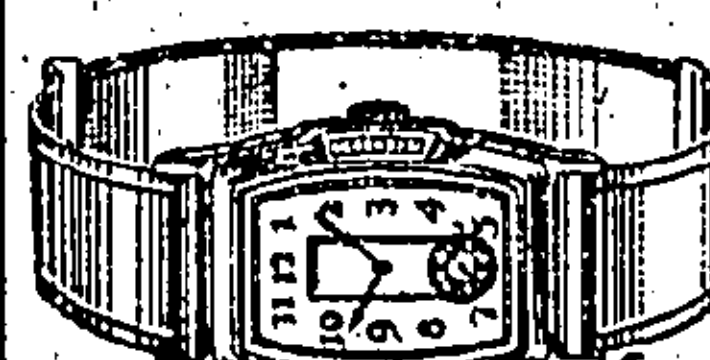
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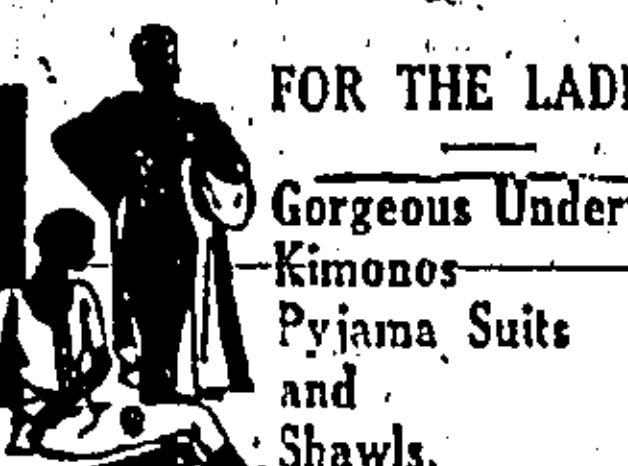
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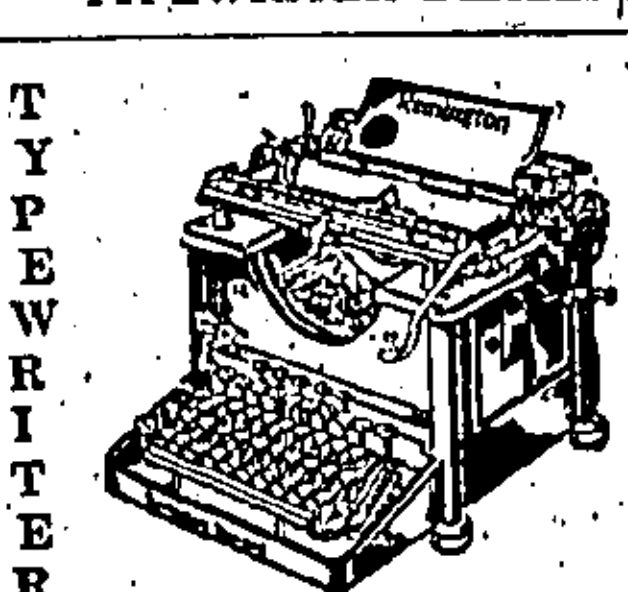
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WHY DEMOCRACY
FAILS.Our Irresponsible
Electors.

VOTE HUNTING.

By most people in Britain a generation ago democracy was regarded as the ideal form of government. Whether that is still the faith of to-day has become more than doubtful. Everywhere one finds signs of dissatisfaction at the actual achievements of democratic government. The House of Commons has ceased to command the respect which it held for many centuries, and comparatively few people trouble to read the reports of its debates. In other countries there is even stronger evidence of dissatisfaction with democracy, and several countries have adopted a dictatorship as a means of escape, writes Harold Cox, the famous economist, in the Sunday Times.

Two books on the general problems of democracy have recently been issued. One is by Lord Eustace Percy, M.P., entitled "Democracy on Trial" (Bodley Head, 7s. 6d.). The other is by Mr. Alderton Pink, entitled "A Realist Looks at Democracy" (Benn, 10s. 6d.). Both books state the essential facts very clearly. Lord Eustace Percy, at the outset, lays his finger on the primary defect of the present constitution of the House of Commons—namely, that it is elected by a body of people who have no financial responsibility for the votes they give. There are now some 28,000,000 electors in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and of these only some 8½ million pay direct taxes. Thus the vast majority of the electorate is not conscious of making any definite contribution to the cost of the State, and so far as it values its voting power at all, values it merely for the purpose of extorting promises of favours from vote-hunting politicians. Lord Eustace Percy goes so far as to say that the power of taxation exercised by the present House of Commons is as arbitrary as the levy of ship-money by Charles I. "Bringing the Voter."

The cynicism with which many members of Parliament regard their position is almost daily in evidence. At the recent election at Woolwich both candidates, appealed for the votes of workers in the Woolwich Arsenal by pro-

mises of extended employment. Neither of them ventured to suggest that a reduction of employment at Woolwich Arsenal might quite possibly be a national gain. Lord Eustace Percy gives many instances of the futility of measures passed by a Parliament constituted as the House of Commons now is. He mentions, for example, the folly of spending millions on road-making as a means of relief for unemployment. Among his suggestions for reform is the proposal that Government business departments, like the Post Office, should be treated as public utility institutions and placed outside the direct control of Parliament. He also wants to establish an advisory council of competent people to supplement Parliament.

Mr. Alderton Pink is equally emphatic about the defects of the House of Commons. He begins by pointing out the immense progress which our country has made in scientific and industrial matters in the last half-century, and then goes on to emphasize the fact that this progress has not been due to Parliament, but to individual enterprise. All that democracy produces is the professional politician.

The Pretence of Equality.

Analysing the origin of democracy, he points out quite accurately that in past days when personal sovereigns ruled the world, the revolt against the tyranny which they often exercised quite naturally took the form of a demand for universal equality as the means of securing justice. We have passed beyond that stage, and to-day it is more important to recognise the "fact that in virtue of their natural endowments men are fundamentally unequal." But there are still among us some people, especially of the Socialist type, who would regard this doctrine as an insult to the multitude.

The trouble is that almost of necessity, the multitude is composed of the least valuable elements of the nation, and at the present time these elements are increasing more rapidly in number than those of a finer type. This is partly due to the relatively large families of the poorest classes; partly to the fact that our educational system, with the idea of equality behind it, is largely devoted to spending money on people who can make but little use of the education they receive. In Mr. Pink's words: "In our schools and universities, we are heavily subsidising the education of many who would have mediocre or even inferior capacity, and we are thus not only wasting effort, but creating serious economic and other difficulties."

Unfortunately it is much easier to emphasise the evils of the present situation than to devise a way of escape. Mr. Pink puts forward several suggestions, some of them not entirely consistent with one another. After noting the way in which some elements of the Press and some of the cinema propagate foolish notions, he suggests that we ought to devise some means of controlling these organs of publicity. That, of course, is what Signor Mussolini is doing in Italy; but it is very doubtful indeed whether British people, with their traditional love of liberty, would tolerate such methods of control over the spread of opinion.

Counting Heads.

The only direction in which State control of the Press has recently been initiated is the prohibition of extensive reports of divorce proceedings. But there are arguments even against this form of State regulation. Admittedly it is a sign of depraved taste on the part of people who indulge in the reading of lengthy reports of a divorce case; but, on the other hand, it is only fair to the innocent party that the essential facts should be made public. The same consideration applies to reports of criminal cases. In fact, directly we get up against the question of trying to improve public opinion by controlling the Press, or the cinema, or the stage, we have reached difficulties which it is not easy to solve. It would have been better, if Mr. Pink had confined his attention to the improvement of our machinery of government.

The root of the trouble lies in the conferring of voting power upon persons who have no financial responsibility for the duties entrusted to them. If we could get rid of that folly, we should be on the road to progress. Under the present system Parliament has lost its dignity, with the result that many of the best men in the country refrain from attempting to enter its doors. In Mr. Pink's words, the present Parliamentary system means "the enthronement of mediocrity." It is interesting to note that even the maintenance of a specially competent electorate by means of the representation given to the universities is in danger of being scrapped. Yet in the universities there is at least a chance of securing men of outstanding ability who are not merely the nominees of political parties. Mr. Pink well sums up the whole matter by saying: "So long as we believe that counting heads will do all that is required, we shall make no progress towards anything better."

SWALLOWED BY THE
JUNGLE.City in Heart of
Ceylon.

LOST CIVILIZATION.

I have seen in my travels no stranger sights than those which lie hid in the heart of the Ceylon jungle, writes Robert Bernays, the special correspondent of the News Chronicle. To enter it is to stumble on a lost civilization.

Here are the ruins of temples and palaces and fortresses and gigantic cities. At a time when Europe was a dark forest they contained a philosophy, a religion and a structure of Government probably in advance of anything the world had seen. Then the jungle opened its jaws and swallowed them up. Their only inhabitants are the leopard and the lizard. The Parriede's Stronghold.

I visited first the fortress of Sigirra, a vast circle of rock towering 600 feet out of the jungle. Two thousand years ago, a king who had killed his father, took refuge in it and made it impregnable to all attacks. Even to-day only the heaviest howitzers could reach it. Within the rock there are relics not merely of the fortress but of a palace and a whole department of government—audience chambers, council rooms, guard houses, bath-rooms, gardens, apartments for the Queen.

As we scrambled up the rock in the early morning the whole vista of the jungle came into view. As far as the eye could see there was mile upon mile of dense trees checked by impenetrable undergrowth. Here and there through the morning mist could be seen a clearing made by a huge square pool of water.

There were the irrigation works of the old king. They once provided the water supply for a thriving people; they are now the drinking places of wild beasts. The contrast was even more striking when later in the day, we reached Polonnaruwa. Here are relics of more of fortresses and palaces, but eight glorious temples standing side by side built to the greater glory of the Lord Buddha. Lizards slid across the stones as we entered. In what had once been a council chamber, monkeys were holding a round-table conference. The Curse. The statue of one Buddha here records a grim tale of modern

tragedy. "A few years ago an impious inspector of roads tested his rifle by firing it at the stone image. Having satisfied himself as to its accuracy, he walked a few yards into the jungle and almost in sight of the outrage was trampled to death by an elephant.

There is probably no place in the world where archaeology and big game shooting can be more entrancingly combined. On our way to Anuradhapura, the capital of old Ceylon and now the Luxor of these buried cities, we had several opportunities of potting jackals and red deer and even an elephant who incautiously came out to have a look at our car.

"A City Very Much Like London."

Anuradhapura was once a metropolis as big as modern New York. It is now a struggling village in the centre of a vast sprawling ruin. It once contained six million people; its buildings stretched over 20 square miles; one of its streets had as many as 90,000 houses.

To visit the remains is like seeing the Book of Solomon come to life. There is a rock-hewn temple by the side of a marble pool at whose glories even to-day the Queen of Sheba would have marvelled.

There are the remains of a brazen palace. It consists now only of sixteen hundred columns of granite, but from the intricate beauty of their decoration it is not difficult to reconstruct the glittering nine-storied building that they once supported.

A Very Gentle Perfect Knight.

There is a grass grown mound fifty feet high that records a chivalry far in advance of the twentieth century. It was built by King Dutugemunu in memory of the invading Tamil Prince Elara whom he had defeated in single combat. As far as I know there is no statue to Hindenburg in Northern France.

A short walk into the jungle and we found almost buried in the grass fresh temples and palaces and swimming pools.

Then we came on the most interesting experience of all. Impressed in some marshy ground were the footprints of an animal. Out of curiosity we followed them. In a few yards we found they were joined by other footprints, obviously a leopard stalking its prey. Then in the path appeared the whole drama of the chase. We saw the spot where the pursued realised its peril and broke into a sprint for its life. Close behind padded the leopard. The footprints grew nearer and nearer to one another. Finally they met. There were the

marks of a scuffle and a few yards further on a neat pile of bones.

It all seemed an eerie symbol of the triumph of Nature. Two thousand years ago a great civilisation flourished here and now the only arts and laws left are those of the jungle.

With these grim meditations I returned in the gathering dusk to catch the mail train, leaving my companions to continue their shooting expedition in the ghostly shadows of ruined temples and crumbling palaces.

LESSON SERMON.

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"God the Preserver of Man" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, June 14.

The Golden Text was:—"The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore." (Psalm 121; 8.)

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible:—"I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8; 38, 39.)

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:—"This is the doctrine of Christian Science: that divine Love cannot be deprived of its manifestation, or object; that joy cannot be turned into sorrow, for sorrow is not the master of joy; that good can never produce evil; that matter can never produce mind nor life result in death. The perfect man—governed by God, his perfect Principle—is sinless and eternal." (p. 364.)

The Government has now acquired 1,800 acres in the vicinity of this will shelter 25 spotted deer. The National Parks Board already controls the Kruger National Park, which is the largest game park in the world, covering an area of about 4,800,000 acres.

GAME RESERVES IN
SOUTH AFRICA.Drinking Troughs for
Elephants.

PRESERVING THE GEMSBOK.

Special drinking troughs for elephants will be a feature of the three new game reserves which the South African Parliament will be asked to sanction during the present session. They will be placed under the control of the National Parks Board, and are designed for the special preservation of certain species of African game.

The largest of the new reserves is between the Aub and Nossob Rivers, in the north-western Cape Province, and is approximately 1,800,000 acres in extent.

Here, the gemsbok, one of the most beautiful of South African antelopes, will be preserved. The gemsbok is very nearly extinct in other parts of the Union, but roams extensively over the wide plains to be included in the new reserve, which will also harbour hartebeest, eland, kudu, lions, leopards, and many smaller animals and birds.

The Addo Reserve of about 11,200 acres in the eastern Cape Province, is also to be placed under the National Parks Board. It is the last remaining spot where are still found specimens of the unique South African elephant, which is much smaller than its Central African brother.

Spotted Deer.

The Minister of Lands, Mr. P. G. W. Grobler, has made consistent efforts to preserve these animals, of which there are now only about 40 in existence. He has largely increased the land on which they roam, and the absence of water—a serious defect which caused the elephants to roam and do harm to neighbouring farms—has been remedied. Boreholes have been sunk and special drinking troughs built so that they can now live happily ever after.

The third of the new game reserves is in the Breedsdorp district, where the spotted deer, of which only about 90 head are still in existence, will be protected. Hitherto, the fact that these animals have not been completely wiped out is solely due to selfish attitude of two neighbouring farmers who have struggled for many years to prevent the extermination of these beautiful animals.

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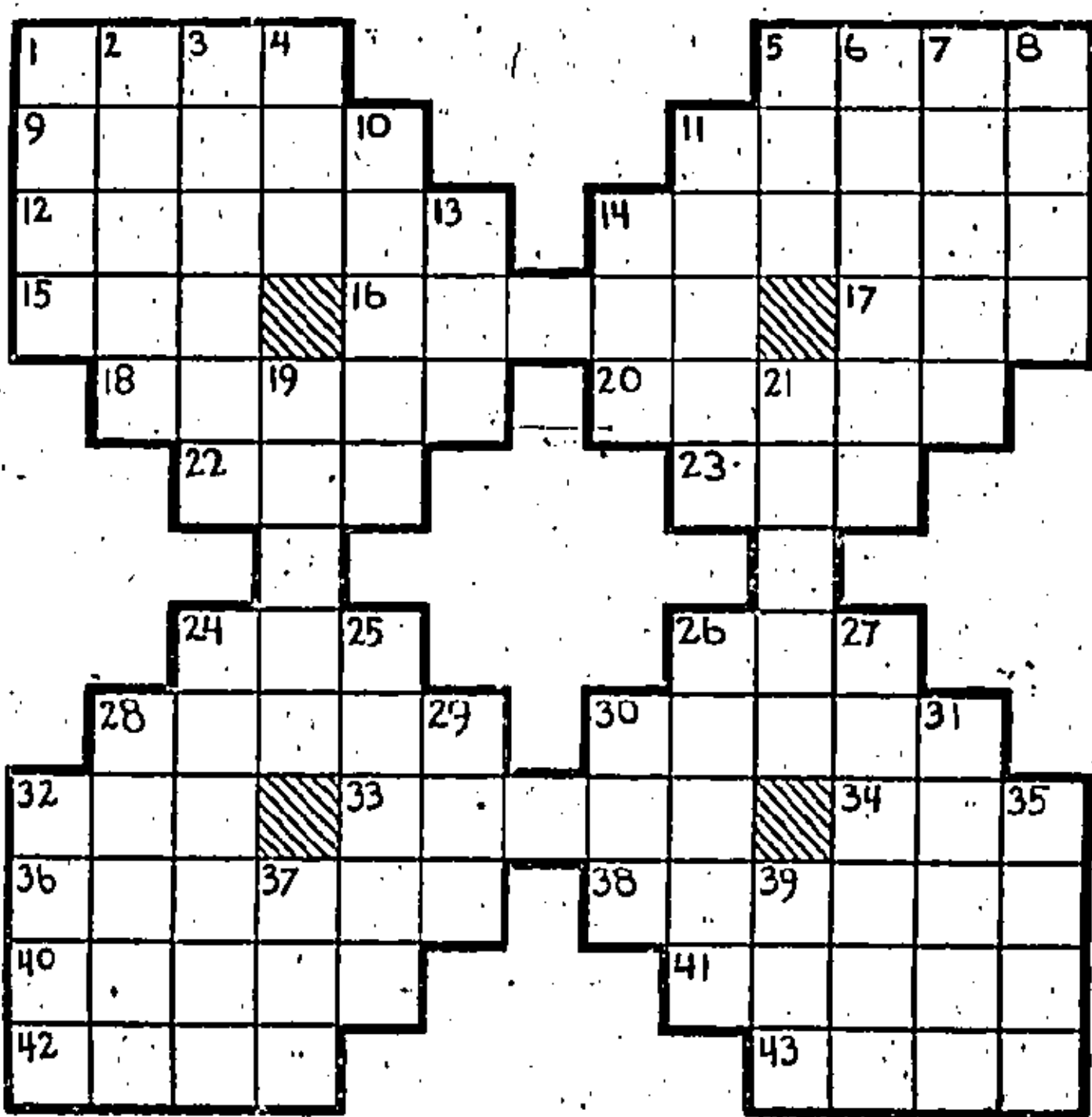
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but
our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic
spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
1-Capital of Norway
5-Box
9-Action
11-A river in N. Italy
12-To seal up
14-Informed
15-Plunder
16-Large volumes
17-Three (Italian)
18-A French sculptor
20-Item in one's
assets
22-Japanese coin
23-Organ of hearing
24-Poisonous snake
26-A Confederate
general
28-Pointed weapon
30-Hurle
32-Plunge
33-Bird homes
34-Noah (Sved.)
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
35-Staggered
39-Oxen
40-Profits
41-Thin, narrow strips
of wood
42-Nothing but
43-Instant (abbr.)
- VERTICAL**
1-A river in
Germany
2-Spanish title
3-Birthplace of
Sappho
4-An ancient lyric
poem
5-Sister (abbr.)
6-To move with quick
light steps
7-Avoid
8-Advice (Scott.)
10-A dress fabric
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
11-A squad
13-Capital of England
(abbr.)
14-A vegetable
19-Hard
21-A plant of the mint
family (pl.)
24-Become visible
25-A long, narrow
picture
26-Endure
27-Pertaining to
Mt. Etna
28-To slit
29-A color
31-Clasifica
32-A measure of weight
35-Assistant (abbr.)
37-Palace
39-A high priest
(Gib.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in
to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

WATER RETURN.

All Reservoirs Below
Overflow.

The level and storage of water in
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City and Hill District.	1931
Tyiam	23' 7" 25' 8"
Tyiam Bywash	21' 9" 24' 4"
Tyiam Intermediate	42' 9" 8' 8"
Tyiam Tuk	63' 2" 33' 8"
Wong Nei Chung	27' 5" 17' 5"
Pokfulum	21' 11" 8' 11"

(Note: B. denotes "Below Over-
flow," A. denotes "Above Overflow."
L. denotes "Level with Overflow.")

Storage in millions and decimals	1930	1931
Tyiam	214.50	200.74
Tyiam Bywash	1.69	.98
Tyiam Intermediate	32.98	150.84
Tyiam Tuk	820.10	727.68
Wong Nei Chung	5.88	1.84
Pokfulum	20.55	40.58

Total 805.84 1,188.16

Consumption of water in the City
and Hill District in millions and
decimals of gallons during the month
of May.

	1930	1931
Consumption	288.168	341.62
Estimated population	442,860	410,050

Consumption per head per day
Head per day 2.04 2.65

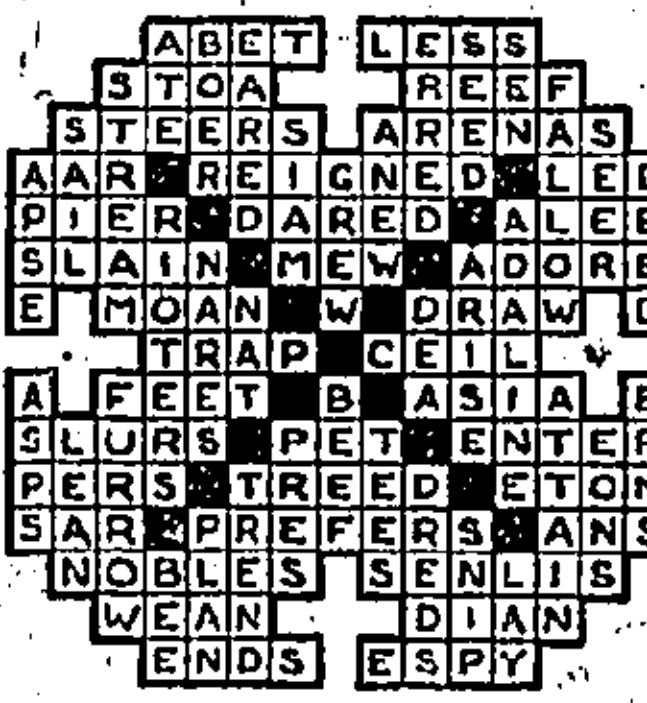
Includes 95.07 million gallons from
Mainland.

Includes 95.03 million gallons from
Mainland.

May 1930—From May 1 to 31,
a 12-hour supply (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)
was given to all Hill Districts
(Principal Mains closed 6 p.m. to 10
a.m. with the exception of the area
North of Queen's Road between Ma-
ray Road and Eastern Street, where a
constant supply was maintained dur-
ing the whole month.)

May 1931—Constant supply
throughout the City, Hill, and High

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



Level Districts during the whole
month.

Kowloon	1930	1931
Kowloon Reservoir	10' 0" 11' 9"	
Bywash	10' 0" 11' 9"	

Reservoir 8' 11" B L
Reception Reservoir 10' 1" B 1' 7" B

Storage in millions and decimals

Kowloon	1930	1931
Kowloon Reservoir	202.90	241.10
Bywash	202.90	241.10

Reservoir 82.69 116.10
Reception Reservoir 9.46 28.97

Total 295.10 368.17

Consumption of water in Kowloon
in millions and decimals of gallons
during the month of May.

	1930	1931
Consumption	124.68	139.40
Estimated population	175,800	288,150

Consumption per head per day
Head per day 2.47 1.80

Constant supply in all districts dur-
ing May 1930 and 1931.

The Government Analyst's report
shows that the quality of the water
is satisfactory.

Total rainfall: May 31, 1930, 18.17;
May 31, 1931, 24.28.

CHAPLAIN TO THE
EX-KAISER.Court-Martialed for
Pacifism.

SEQUEL TO APPEAL.

Dr. Seigmund Schultze, who was
once a pastor at Postdam and
chaplain to the ex-Kaiser, and who
court-martialed on the outbreak of
the Great War for having address-
ed an appeal for peace to the clergy
of Germany, recently preached at
the evening service in St. Martin's-
in-the-Fields, in the cause of
universal love and brotherhood.

He stood in that London church
which, more than any other, is asso-
ciated in the minds of ex-Servicemen
with War. It was for thousands
the half-way house between the
last day of leave and the return
to France. It was the ante-
room, where one might rest, to the
formerly tragic stations of Victoria
and Charing Cross.

But these are things of yester-
year, commemorated in statues and
in metal ribbons such as glowed on
the vestments of the British priest
who conducted the service. Dr. Schultze,
international secretary of the
World Alliance, spoke of to-day
and to-morrow, probing, in a simple,
an awful, and a direct way, the
hearts of the men and women who
had crowded to hear him.

One-time Enemy.
All he did—this foreigner, this
one-time enemy and "Hun"—was to
expound the logical application of
Christianity to life.

The lights in the body of the
church were switched off as he
mounted the pulpit. He was left
alone, pleading on a luminous island
in a sea of darkness. The one
lamp above shone on an earnest,
bespectacled, moustached face, on a
wealth of brown hair, on a black
robe and white neck-bands.

He began to read from the
twenty-first chapter of St. John—
"So ven zoy had, dined, Jesus saith
to Simon, Peter, Simon, son of
Jonas, lovest thou me, more than
these?"

His accent was slight, but un-
mistakably German. He did not
raise his voice; it was almost a
monotone. He used no gestures.
He spoke of "surrendering oneself
utterly to Christ, and let the im-
plications of that surrender sink by
their own weight into the thoughts
of the congregation. Christianity
was the soul which could inspire the
body of this world. All that was
the unity of Christians.

Surely there could be no more
differences for long? Surely the
differences of ritual and dogma
were moribund? The only ques-
tion which a Christian could put to
himself was Christ's own question
—"Lovest thou me?" On that de-
pendent all—the end of national bick-
erings, charity, disarmament, and
peace on earth.

He pause and looked about him at
the dim people. "May Christ bless
the co-operation of Christians in all
countries," he said, "and may He
bless us all. Amen."

The people bent their heads and
prayed it might be so. The lights
flashed on again.

Thanks of Dead Soldier's Mother.
Dr. Schultze was thanked by men
and women of all nationalities for
his work for peace after he had
preached earlier the previous day at
the City Temple, Holborn.

He worked in German prison
camps during the War to alleviate
the hardships of the captive men,
and one woman, shaking hands with
him, said: "I want to thank you for
all you did for our boys in the
War."

The most poignant episode how-
ever, occurred when the mother of a
dead soldier approached him. In a
locket she carried a portrait of
her son.

She thanked him simply, and said,
"God bless you."

SPIRITUALISM AND MURDER.

Accusations Against Lyons
Swindlers.

Accusations of using the credu-
lity of their dupes to extort money
have been made against several
spiritualists in the south of
France. In one case a rich wine
merchant of Montpellier had been
induced to spend a large part of
his fortune in founding a
spiritualist society. He died re-
cently, and his relatives claim
not only that his will left a large
proportion of his fortune away
from his family than is allowed by
French law, but that the
spiritualists have actually taken
possession of part of it without
waiting to inherit it legally.

The other cases come from Lyons,
whose inhabitants, in spite of hav-
ing the reputation of being the
most prosaic in France, as well as
the most hard-headed, include a
large number of spiritualists. One
of these cases involves not only ex-
traction of money, but murder. A
Dreton, chauffeur, is charged with
obtaining money from his
spiritualist employer by threats of
occult vengeance, and now a cer-
tain Marcel Kerdic, who makes his
living out of lectures to "expose
the frauds of the occult," is charged
with the murder of the Dreton.

SHOOTING STARS AND
COMETS.Lecture by Sir Richard
Gregory.

LARGEST METEORITE.

Sir Richard Gregory had many
interesting things to say about
meteors and comets in the course
of a lecture recently at the annual
meeting of the Gilbert White Fel-
lowship, in the Hall of the Art-
Workers' Guild.

"The total weight of the great
meteorite which fell in Siberia,
probably the largest which has
struck the earth in historic times,
must have been thousands of tons,"
he said, "and if this mass had
fallen upon London instead of
Siberian forest, the destruction
and death due to it would have
been too awful to contemplate."

On that occasion, he pointed out,
the blast of air produced by the
meteorite devastated the forests
over an enormous area. At the
nearest settlement, fifty miles
away, people were scorched by the
heat, and houses were damaged.
On the site of the fall the trees
over a large area, as well as a
herd of some 1,500 domesticated
reindeer, were destroyed.

If We Ran Into A Comet.

On the average, he said, only
three or four brilliant comets ap-
peared in a century, but many
more were observed telescopically,
and scarcely a year passed with-
out half-a-dozen being discovered.
Many comets attained enormous
dimensions. Thus the great comet
of 1858 had a head a quarter of
a million miles in diameter, while
its tail was more than fifty mil-
lion miles in length. Yet a hun-
dred thousand of the largest
comets ever observed would not
weigh as much as the earth. Their
density would be thousands of
times less than the density of
the ordinary air. The head, how-
ever, was probably composed of a
large number of small but solid
bodies and the earth had on more
than one occasion passed through
the tail of a comet without any
marked effect being observed.

It was difficult to say what
would be the result of running full
tilt into a comet's nucleus. If the
nucleus consisted merely of
"cosmic dust," only a brilliant
shower of shooting stars would be
seen, but if it was made up of
bodies as large as or larger than
cannon balls the consequences
would be serious. Myriads of the
meteoric masses would beat upon
the earth and the burning of their
materials would probably use up
the oxygen in the atmosphere, in
which case man and all the animal
creation would perish. The tem-
perature of the air would be raised
to such a degree that all vegetation
would be destroyed and the world
transformed into a desolate and
barren rock.

Meteorites.

The word "star" applied to such
a transient object as a shooting
star or meteor was a libel upon the
mighty suns fervidly shining in
infinite space. Shooting stars were
small particles of matter revolving
round the sun like the earth. The
latter was constantly meeting
these specks of cosmic dust and
attracting them towards itself.
The consequence was that they
entered the earth's atmosphere at
about thirty miles a second. As
a rifle bullet, travelling much
slower, became hot in passing
through the air it was easy to
understand that a particle enter-
ing the earth's atmosphere at the
terrific speed of thirty miles a
second must become very hot by
friction against it. The heat de-
veloped was sufficient to melt and
vaporise the solid particle and its
disintegration in this manner pro-
duced the phenomenon of the shooting
star. Something like four hundred
millions of solid particles, each
weighing only a few grains, rain-
ed down upon the earth and were
consumed in the atmosphere daily.

The difference between meteors
and fireballs was probably only one
of size. Some meteors were so
large that they reached the earth's
surface before sufficient heat had
been developed to drive them en-
tirely into vapour, and those which
penetrated the torpedo net of
earth's atmosphere were known as
meteorites. There were a number
of well-authenticated records of
such falls from heaven, though it
was not until the beginning of last
century that credence was given
to their celestial origin.

Spiritualism, has come forward to
declare that he can connect this
man with the death of a woman
whose body was found in the
Rhône two years ago.

This woman, wife of a Lyons
notary, had, it appears, asked the
spiritualists to help her to bring
back her faithful husband and
cure her sick child, and they had
killed her because she threatened
to denounce them when she found
that they were merely swindlers.

The murder is said to have been
committed with a "strangely
knotted cord, in observance of the
rites of an Indian secret society."

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

June 4, June, June,	1931.	1918.	1914.
Cts.	Cts.	Cts.	
Butcher Meat.			
Beef Sirloin	牛尾	lb.	33 24 12
Prime Cut	牛尾	lb.	30 28 11
Corned	牛尾	lb.	23 13
Roast	牛尾	lb.	33 24 12
Breast	牛尾	lb.	30 20 13
Steak	牛尾	lb.	27 20 18
Steak Sirloin	牛尾	lb.	33 24 12
Sausages	牛尾	lb.	46 30 35
Butcher's Brains	牛尾	lb.	86 28 20
Tongue, fresh	牛尾	lb.	10 12
Tongue, corned	牛尾	lb.	75 50 60
Head	牛尾	lb.	60
Heart	牛尾	lb.	\$1.20 \$1.20
Hump, Salt	牛尾	lb.	24 18 14
Feet	牛尾	lb.	20 18
Kidneys	牛尾	lb.	12 10 12
Tail	牛尾	lb.	15 10 12
Liver	牛尾	lb.	27 20 22
Tripe	牛尾	lb.	24 13 14
Calves' Head & Feet	牛尾	set	\$1.50 \$1.00 \$1.00
Mutton Chop	牛尾	lb.	44 26
Leg	牛尾	lb.	44 26
Shoulder	牛尾	lb.	40 24
Saddle	牛尾	lb.	40 24
Pig's Chilling	牛尾	lb.	27
Brains	牛尾	lb.	16 15
Feet	牛尾	lb.	16 15
Fry	牛尾	lb.	28 15 18
Head	牛尾	lb.	18 20
Heart	牛尾	lb.	15 10 10
Kidneys	牛尾	lb.	15 10 3
Liver	牛尾	lb.	48 30 24
Pork Chop	牛尾	lb.	36 25 23
Leg	牛尾	lb.	38
Loin	牛尾	lb.	44 60 70
Fat or Lard	牛尾	lb.	26 21
Sheep's Head & Feet	牛尾	per set	90 60 70
Heart	牛尾	each	12 8 7
Kidneys	牛尾	lb.	15 12 10
Liver	牛尾	lb.	45 26 25
Sucking Pigs, to order	牛尾	lb.	25 25 22
Suet, Beef	牛尾	lb.	90 20 18
Mutton	牛尾	lb.	86 26 26
Veal	牛尾	lb.	22 20 20
Sausages	牛尾	lb.	28
	牛尾	lb.	32

Fish.

Barbel	魚	lb.	46 16 24
Bream	魚	lb.	30 20 16
Canton Fresh Water	魚	lb.	30
Carp	魚	lb.	30 13 16
Catfish	魚	lb.	30 16 27
Codfish	魚	lb.	34 12 9
Crabs	魚	lb.	42 16 17
Cuttle Fish	魚	lb.	24 23 26
Dab	魚	lb.	26 16 27
Dace	魚	lb.	42 23 16
Dec Fish	魚	lb.	21 10
Eels, Conger	魚	lb.	38 16
Yellow	魚	lb.	42 10 8
Frogs	魚	lb.	74 32 25
Garoupa	魚	lb.	23 40 30
Gudgeon	魚	lb.	28 22 18
Herrings	魚	lb.	32 13 23
Halibut	魚	lb.	34 18 15
Labrus	魚	lb.	38 12 13
Loach	魚	lb.	50 62 24
Lobsters	魚	lb.	35 22 21
Mackerel	魚	lb.	40 20 20
Monk Fish	魚	lb.	35 13 2
Mullet	魚	lb.	35 12 2
Oysters	魚	lb.	25 14
Parrot Fish	魚	lb.	26 30 15
Pike	魚	lb.	40 16 9
Pike	魚	lb.	42 36 29
Plaice	魚	lb.	48 36 30
Pomfret, White	魚	lb.	36 36 45
Pomfret, Black	魚	lb.	70 10 14
Prawns	魚	lb.	24 10 14
Ray	魚	lb.	24 13 18
Rock Fish	魚	lb.	32 12 10
Roach	魚	lb.	48 66 30
Salmon	魚	lb.	20 8 10
Shark	魚	lb.	20 10 10
Skate	魚	lb.	52 33 80
Shrimps	魚	lb.	42 28 28
Sole	魚	lb.	36 22 28
Tench	魚	lb.	32 28 12
Turbot	魚	lb.	32 12 12
Turtles, small, fr. water	魚	lb.	1.16 40

NEW SCARE.

FRENCH MILITARY INFLUENCE
IN THE BALKANS.

Startling figures regarding the
armaments of France's south-
eastern satellites, Roumania, Yugo-
slavia and Czechoslovakia, are re-
vealed in the preface to the military
budget submitted to the Chamber.
According to the report, the three
countries have under the colours 89
Divisions, which are uniformly dis-
ciplined and equipped, while the
Staffs are co-ordinated through
French officers. Furthermore, the
report states that French
Schneider and Creuzot works are
establishing in the countries named
huge ammunition and armament
factories, with a view to unifying
their war supplies.

The Naval Accord.

An attempt to re-forest the Franco-
British-Italian naval pact will be
made on Thursday in London. The
three countries have under the
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while the Staffs are co-ordinated
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more, the report states that French
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factories, with a view to unifying
their war supplies.

tion which M. Massigli took with
him, though it is reported that
France is prepared to make some
concessions regarding the replace-
ment of obsolete ships.

The Press comments have a
notably optimistic tenor, though a
voice is not wanting describing the
official optimism as "rather forced."
At any rate the *Matin* insists that
the "negotiations must not be
abandoned," and intimates that M.
Massigli's new contact with his Brit-
ish and Italian colleagues will at
any rate pave the way for a frank
discussion of the contentious issues
between Mr. Henderson, M. Briand
and Signor Grandi at the Geneva
meeting. "Portinax" in the *Echo*
de Paris even declares that Britain
is now prepared to make some con-
cession regarding the interpretation
of the draft accord, but casts doubt
on the nature of the price which
France is expected to pay for it.

FOUR YEARS' CRUISE.

Islands Discovered in The
Antarctic.

It is now definitely established
that Norway's new acquisition in
the Antarctic, the Bouvet Island, is
only habitable in the Summer
months.

When the "Norvegia" expedition
arrived at the island to look for the
two houses which had been erect-

ed there last year, no trace could
be found of them. They had
simply been blown away, and on the
site where one of the houses had
stood lay a huge block of ice weigh-
ing two tons. The same thing hap-
pened in 1927, when a house which
had been built on the island was
blown away. Last year three men
offered to stay on the island during
the winter, but luckily their offer
was not accepted.

The "Norvegia" expedition has
now concluded, its four years' ex-
ploration of the Antarctic. It has
covered 56,000 nautical miles, and
has come across several new islands
and coastlands—Peter I's Island,
Boutvet Island, Queen Maud's Land,

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TABU:—A Paramount super-production just released. It's a picture of exquisite tropical beauty, the last work of that master of the screen, Murnau, director of "The Last Laugh," introducing a story of the South Seas, made with a native cast. It concludes with a veritable screen poem of tragedy.

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QUEEN HIGH:—Another 1931 Paramount production.

RESURRECTION:—A Universal 1931 all dialogue super-production. It betters the silent film of the past.

DRACULA:—Another Universal super-production. Superstition of yesterday may be a fact of the world of science of to-day is explained in this picture. It's mysterious all through.

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HONG KONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

KOWLOON BUS FARES.

New Scale of
Charges.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

The Kowloon Motor Bus Co., Ltd., the China Motor Bus Company and the Kai Tak Motor Bus Co. (1918), Ltd., have sent the following explanation of the new scale of fares which will come into operation on the routes served by these companies on July 1. Full details of the charges between the different sections appear in our advertisement columns.

THE NEW SCALE OF FARES.

Minimum Fares.

The minimum fare remains as at present, namely, 5 cents second class and 10 cents first class. One section only (or part of one section) can be travelled for this fare.

Longer Distances Second Class.

For any longer distance than one section (or part thereof) 10 cents will be charged. That is to say, the maximum second class fare will be 10 cents and this fare will require to be paid by any second class passenger travelling a longer distance than one section or part of one section.

Longer Distances First Class.

For any longer distance than one section (or part thereof) the fare will be 10 cents for the first section with an additional 5 cents for each subsequent two sections (or part of two sections).

Service men in uniform and children will continue to be charged second class fare when travelling in the first class.

Monthly Tickets.

Monthly tickets will be increased from \$7 to \$9 for an adult and from \$3 to \$4 for a student. The restrictions at present attaching to students' tickets will, however, be relaxed and students will be allowed to use their monthly tickets on any day of the week except Sundays between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Students' monthly tickets, however, will not be valid at any time of the day on Sundays.

TROUBLE IN FRANCE

COTTON STRIKERS STONE
POLICE AND GUARDS.

DISTRICT ISOLATED.

Roubaix, Saturday.

Owing to the Police prohibiting a demonstration, cotton strikers last night stoned the Police and the Republic Guards, who were called out to assist.

A Guards Officer and the driver of a Police tender were seriously injured.

The rioters erected barricades in the streets and troops and Police finally withdrew. The district has now been cordoned off.

Communists Inguire.

Later.

The rioters dispersed peacefully this morning and all is now quiet, but strong precautionary measures are being taken.

The rioters, it is learned, were instigated by Communists. The Red Flag was flown at the barricade.

Wire was stretched across the street, where a notice was chalked saying "This is the people's frontier. Assassins shall not pass."

The roadway was sprinkled with petrol, evidently with the intention of setting fire to the neighbourhood if the police passed the barriers.

Roubaix, Yesterday.

Communists last night looted shops and motor-car showrooms, and burned a number of motor-cars. They erected barricades, and stoned the firemen and

CABINET CRISIS.

LYDD GEORGE'S DASH TO
LONDON.

TENSION RELIEVED.

London, Saturday.

The Cabinet crisis, arising out of Mr. Snowden's Land Taxation proposals, is now dissolving under the influence of frank Liberal-Labour discussions.

Mr. Lloyd George dashed to London from Scotland yesterday, feeling that the matter was being allowed to drift dangerously.

Liberal leaders immediately held a Round Table Conference with the Cabinet Ministers, and it was subsequently announced that "some progress had been made."—Reuter.

Press Optimistic.

Rugby, Saturday.

Yesterday's conference between Cabinet Ministers and Liberal leaders, as according to the Daily Herald, eased the crisis. Some progress towards an agreement was made, and it is hoped that as a result of further consultations a basis of amendment will be reached on Monday.

The belief that a way out of the difficulty will be found persists generally in Labour quarters. It is shared by the Daily Mail, Daily News, and Daily Telegraph. The Daily News, however, says the position is still extremely delicate.

The Daily Express makes light of the difficulties, which it believes will be stated by the Liberals in drafting their amendment in acceptable terms; and the Morning Post also anticipates that an escape will be found in this way from the crisis, which it says has now been reduced to mere misunderstanding at yesterday's talk, which ended in failure to agree on a reasonable alternative form of words for the amendment. It is possible that a final decision will not be taken on Tuesday, when the disputed clause is due for consideration in the House of Commons, and that a few more days may be gained in which to find a formula.

The Manchester Guardian sees no valid reason why a way out of the difficulty should not be found. It suggests that during Tuesday's debate the Chancellor of the Exchequer will ridicule the amendment, but that later in the debate the Prime Minister will offer to consider the situation before the Report stage of the Bill is taken.

In such case, the journal adds, there is little doubt that the Liberal leader would accept the overture. Meanwhile there is a deadlock.—British Wireless Service.

FRENCH PRESIDENT.

CABINET ASKED TO REMAIN IN
OFFICE.

A FORMALITY.

Paris, Saturday.

M. Paul Doumer formally took over the Presidency of the Republic of France, from M. Gaston Doumergue, this afternoon. As soon as M. Doumer had been invested, M. Laval, Premier, in accordance with custom, offered him the Government's resignation.

As was expected, however, M. Doumer asked the leader of the Government to remain in office, to which M. Laval assented.—Reuter.

Later.

Quietude returned early this morning. There were twenty-four arrests, and three soldiers were injured in the course of the disturbance.—Reuter.

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EUGENE CHEN'S PLAN FOR CHINA.

Foreign Minister on the
Canton Revolt.

EXTRALITY MUST GO.

An epic plan for the regeneration of China so that she may take a place of equality beside the great civilised nations of the world, was outlined by Mr. Eugene Chen, the Foreign Minister to the new Government at Canton, in a special interview which he granted to a representative of the China Mail on Saturday.

During the interview, which lasted for two hours, Mr. Chen explained the fundamental principle underlying the Southern revolt against Chiang Kai-shek, and stressed the desire of his Government for the peaceful unification of China and its development from the plough of mediæval instability to the status of a thoroughly modern, civilised Power.

The points raised and dealt with by Mr. Chen included the abolition of extraterritoriality; the aim of the Kuomintang, the attitude of China towards the foreigner and his possessions (including the New Territories), and the reason of the revolt against Chiang Kai-shek.

LORD TRENT DEAD.

MAN WHO MADE "BOOTS"
WHAT IT IS.

STEADY RISE TO FAME.

London, Saturday.

The death is announced of Lord Trent.—Reuter.

[The first Baron Trent of Nottingham, created in 1929, was better known to the public as Jesse Boot, head of the great chain of over 800 retail drug shops that bore his name, and also the Boots Pure Drug Company. He was created a baronet in 1916, after being knighted in 1909.

Baron Trent was born in 1850, and has one son and two daughters, the heir being Captain the Hon. John Campbell Boot, late of the Sherwood Foresters, and the present Chairman of Boots Pure Drug Company, Ltd.

Since his retirement from active participation in the management of the business, Baron Trent had lived in Jersey, Channel Islands.]

DR. KITAZATO.

GREAT BACTERIOLOGIST

PASSES AWAY.

WORK FOR HUMANITY.

Tokyo, Saturday.

Dr. Shibasaburo Kitazato, the noted bacteriologist, died to-day, following a prolonged illness.—Reuter.

IN MANCHURIA.

NEW OFFICERS FOR THE
S.M.R.

Tokyo, Saturday.

It is formally announced that Mr. Uchida has been appointed President, and Mr. Teijo Eguchi Vice-President of the South Manchuria Railway. Mr. Eguchi, who has long been connected with the Mitsubishi interests (for 40 years), is expected to take charge of the business end of the railway management, while Mr. Uchida will concentrate upon the broad general policies.—Reuter.

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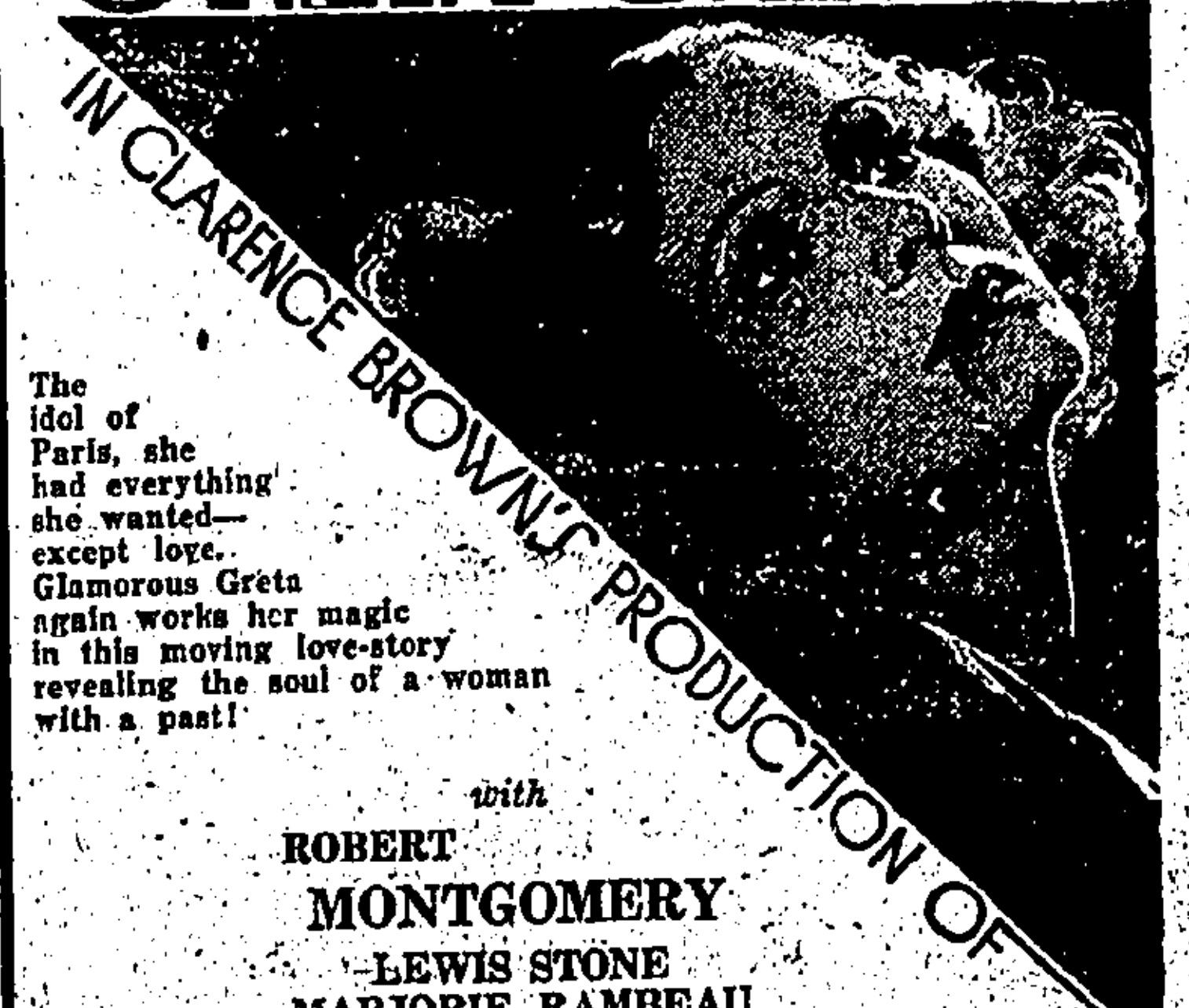


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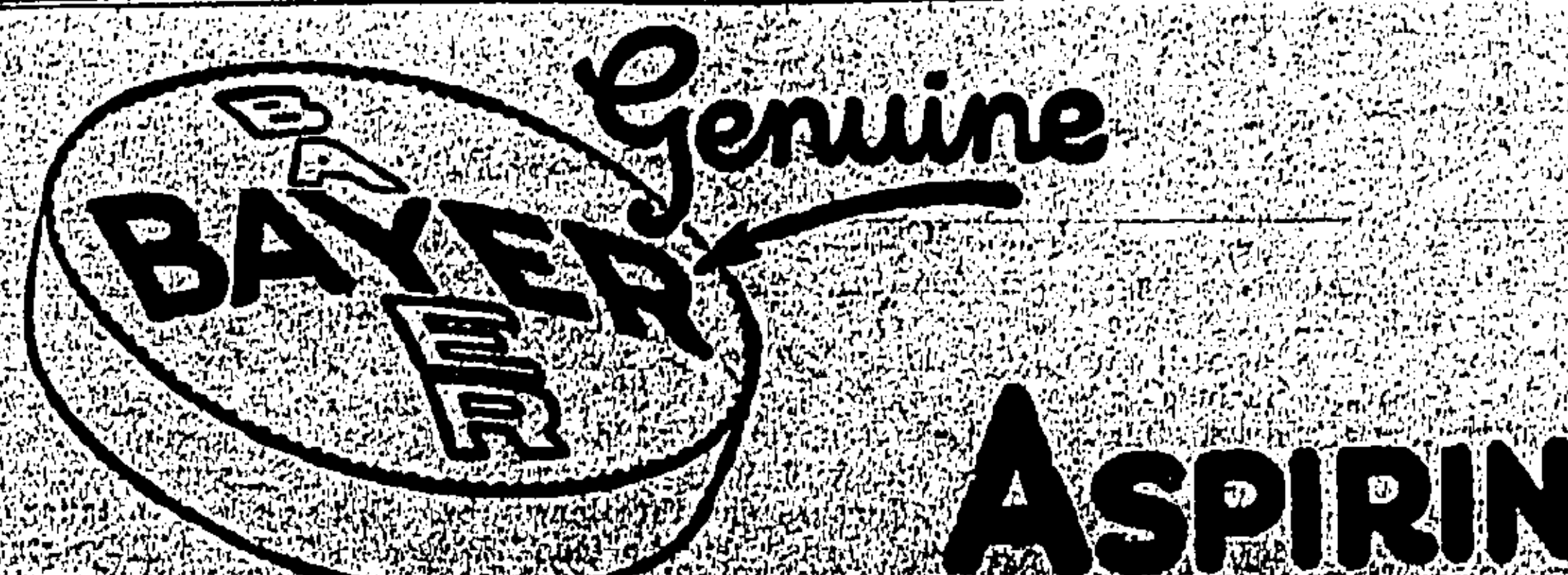
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